January 31, 1963

Mr. James M. Dabbs
Rips Raps Plantation
Mayesville, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Dabbs:

As you have reminded me, you have to appoint a committee to recommend an appropriate George Mitchell award. We have given some thought to this.

We think you might have six or seven people on the committee, and would suggest that only one of them be from the Executive Committee.

Good names would seem to be to be: Rufus Clement, Lee Thomas of Louisville, Paul Williams, Dean Brazeal, Guy Johnson, Dorcas Ruthenburg, James Stewart of Oklahoma City, Jim Stokely, and Al Kehrer of Atlanta.

Attached is a possible letter. If you will revise it as you wish and give us the names you would like to appoint, we could send the letter out over your signature.

It strikes me that Dean Brazeal would be a good chairman; Dorcas Ruthenburg would be another possibility. On the other hand, the motion to create the award was made by James Stewart and perhaps he should, therefore, be the chairman; it bothers me a bit to have any committee chaired so far away as Oklahoma, but your judgment about this would be better than mine.

You will recall also that I had requested that a committee from the general membership be appointed to consult with the staff in the program review and evaluation that we plan. Because of Paul Rilling's resignation and other things, I am fairly positive that we shall not be able to do this according to the schedule that we had set down earlier. Nevertheless, we would like for the consultants to be appointed now. I think about six from the general membership plus three from the Executive Committee would do it.

My suggestions to you are: Kelly Miller Smith, of Nashville, Herbert Davidson of Daytona Beach, Dean Gomillion, Mrs. Charles White of Houston, Hubert Beckwith of Fairfax County, and Andrew Secrest. If John Wheeler accepts my suggestions of appointees from the Executive Committee (Al Dent, Grace Hamilton, and Raymond Wheeler), this would give us one person from each state except Oklahoma, Kentucky, Arkansas, and Mississippi. Oklahoma, I think, should be left out. Whether or nor there is someone from Kentucky is a matter about which I feel indifference; if you think there should be, my suggestion would be Lee Thomas (in any case, he should not be appointed to the George Mitchell committee). I would like to have somebody from both Arkansas and Mississippi; for various reasons, there is no one from either state who looks like the right person. If you think it is important to include these two states, any name you would choose would be all right with us; I would point out that Hodding Carter is not well and has been inactive. Rabbi Mantinband is moving to Texas and is already on the Nominating Committee. Roosevelt Crockett, Mrs. Martin Harvey, and Dr. Townsend are new.

There is enclosed a suggested letter. If you will please revise it as you wish and send it back with the names to be appointed, we will send it out over your signature.

Your presidential address reads in print even better than it sounded. When you do retire, I don't know what we can do to take up the place that your annual address now fills.

Sincerely yours,

Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director

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MAYESVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA

February 5, 1963

Dr. Leslie W. Dunbar, Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth St., N.W.,Atlanta 3, Ga.

Dear Les:

Thanks for the suggestions about the committees and the proposed letters. I see no need to change the letters; and,following almost entirely your suggestions,I should like the following persons to be asked to serve on the committees. Since the committee on the George Mitchell Award ought to be able to do practically all its work by mail, Stewart's distance from Atlanta does not matter, and since he thought of the idea he should have the honor of leading in its implementation. For that committee, then: James Stewart, chairman; Josephine Wilkins (from the executive committee); Paul Williams, Guy Johnson, Dean Brazeal, Doreas Ruthenburg, and Al Kehrer.

For consultants from the membership on review of the Council: Kelly Miller Smith, Herbert Davidson, Dean Gomillion, Mrs. Charles White, Hubert Beckwith,and Andrew Secrest.

Edith and I go to the White House next Tuesday for a presidential reception. Big Time. We phoned Harold to find out what to wear. He said, just keep your shirt on.

So, until I see you, that's what I'll be doing.

As ever,

J. M. Dabbs
President.

Memo from **MILDRED JOHNSON**

Les,

Since Mr. Dabbs answered your letter re: persons to serve on committees for the Geo. Mitchell Award and Program Review and Evaluation, and named the persons he wishes on each committee, I've gone ahead and typed letters to to the appointees for the Program Review committee. I didn't date them because I wasn't sure when you want them to go out. (SEE ATTACHED LTRS.)

As for the Geo. Mitchell Award letters. We can get these done as soon as we know whether J. Stewart will accept the chairmanship.

February 20, 1963

Mr. James E. Stewart
548 N. E. 4th Street
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Dear Mr. Stewart:

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The Annual Meeting gave little guidance as to what kind of an award should be established. The motion was made by you; the minutes failed to show who seconded. It was, however, passed in the dying minutes of the meeting with almost no discussion. I assumed that the Members had in mind that annually or occasionally the Council would give some form of recognition to a person who had distinguished himself or herself in advancing the goals to which the Council subscribes, and to which George Mitchell devoted his career.

What you and your colleagues on the committee would need to consider are:

(a) purposes of the award;

(b) criteria for selecting recipients;

(c) form and cost of the award(and here we must keep in mind economy, unless some special funds could be attained for this purpose);

(d) procedure and other details involved in making the award.

I suspect that your deliberations could be conducted through the mails with possibly one committee meeting when you are all in Atlanta anyway for the Annual Meeting. I am sure that the committee can count on the staff services of Mr. Dunbar and his associates.

With every good wish,

Sincerely yours,

James McBride Dabbs
President

JMD/mmj

Same ltr sent to:

Joe. Wilkins
~~Paul Williams~~
Guy Johnson
B. R. Brazeal
Dorcas Ruthenburg
E. T. Kehrer
J. Stewart (chairman) - slightly different ltr.

February 20, 1963

Mr. Paul Williams
3320 Gloucester Road
Richmond, Virginia

Dear Paul:

At the Annual Meeting a resolution was passed instructing me to "appoint a committee to recommend an appropriate George S. Mitchell Award." I would like to ask you to serve on this committee along with Miss Josephine Wilkins, Dr. Guy Johnson, Dr. B. R. Brazeal, Miss Dorcas Ruthenburg, Mr. E. T. Kehrer, and Mr. James Stewart, (chairman).

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With every good wish,

Sincerely yours,

James McBride Dabbs
President

JMD/mmj

March 20, 1963

Mr. James M. Dabbs
Rip Raps Plantation
Mayesville, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Dabbs:

We were about to get a letter off to Mrs. White when your post card arrived saying that you had heard from her.

The letters which went to the members of the George Mitchell Committee didn't really ask for replies. They were worded in such a way to assume acceptances, unless we heard to the contrary -- so I doubt that any follow-up is required. If, however, we don't soon hear from Jimmie Stewart, I think I should write to him because as chairman he will have to help get things rolling.

I don't know about you and Ross Barnett in the same "stall." Inremember Mr. Wright made a speech years ago in which he likened you to some kind of horse, and I'll accept that. But Barnett is no horse; at the most he's a mule. And I am not much of a farmer, but I don't think horses and mules ever go into the same stalls.

All the best.

Sincerely yours,

Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director

LWD/mmj

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March 14, 1963

Dr. Leslie W. Dunbar, Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth St., N. W., Atlanta 3, Ga.

Dear Les:

To bring you up to date on the Committee to Recommend a Memorial to George Mitchell and the Committee# for consultation with staff onbasic policies of the Council: Of the members of the first committee, I have heard officially only from Guy Johnson,who has accepted. I sat by Dorcas Ruthenburg in Louisville last week, she introduced me, and we spoke briefly of the committee. Since she did not then decline, I imagine she takes that as her acceptance.

Of the second committee, everyone has replied and accepted except Mrs.Charles White. I wonder if you could send a letter from the office, atating it was my request, to Mrs.White in re her membership on the second committee and to the five who have not replied from the first committee . If you wish, you could enclose for each a copy of the original letter.

Most of those who accepted membership on the Committee on Basic Policy said they would await further instructions.

I hope things are going well. I'm trying to put the South together following the Civil War.Getting me and Ross Barnett in the same stall is difficult. Not to mention Martin Luther King, Jr.

~~Kindest regards,~~
Jim Dabbs

J. M. Dabbs
President

P.S. My mistake.I did hear from Dorcas Ruthenburg, accepting.

April 9, 1963

Mr. James E. Stewart
548 N. E. 4th Street
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Dear Mr. Stewart:

We noted in February that Mr. Dabbs had asked you to chair the committee "to recommend an appropriate George S. Mitchell Award." We think he made a good choice.

The staff of the Council is eager to be of any possible help to you, as you begin making plans to activate this committee. If you think of anything we can do to be helpful (such as typing letters to the committee members, etc.) you have only to call on us.

Sincerely yours,

Montez G. Albright (Mrs.)
Administrative Assistant

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April 23, 1963

Mr. James Stewart
548 N. E. 4th Street
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Dear Jimmie:

Thank you for sending copies of the anti-discrimination bills. This is fine stuff.

Let us know what we can do to help on the George Mitchell Award.

All the best.

Sincerely yours,

Leslie W. Dubbar
Executive Director

LWD/mmj

From The Desk of . . .

JIMMY STEWART

THE BLACK DISPATCH NEWSPAPER

% 548 N. E. Fourth Street
Oklahoma City, Okla.

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Les Dunbar:

Just a line to let you know that we used the research material furnished by SRC to approach legislators and draft the bills presently before our State Legislature. (Enclosed Copies).

Also, I am gathering material for proposed George S. Mitchell award which I will submit shortly.

I appreciate the offer of clerical assistance and will make use of it when I have things in order.

Best regards —

Jimmy Stewart

sent to research
anti-discrimination
Senate Bill
State of Oklahoma
273
by Fred Harris
House Bill
929
by Ernest Cornish
(Creation of Commission on Human Rights)

Same ltr. sent to: Mr. Paul Williams, Dr. Guy Johnson, Dr. B. R. Brazeal
Miss Dorcas Ruthenburg, and Mr. E. T. Kehrer
(Enclosed with each letter was a copy of a Proposal on the George Mitchell Award)

548 N. E. 4th Street
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
April 25, 1963

Miss Josephine Wilkins
c/o Warm Mineral Springs Inn
Venice, Florida

Dear Miss Wilkins:

Pursuant to a resolution passed at our last Annual Meeting of the Southern Regional Council, President Dabbs has asked me to serve as chairman of a committee to recommend an appropriate George S. Mitchell Award.

You are a member of this committee, and we are going to rely heavily on your experience and broad acquaintances to assist and formulate plans which we shall present at the November Board Meeting. Since our only contact shall be by mail, we would appreciate full and frank suggestions, criticisms and/or additions to the enclosed draft.

I consider it a rare privilege to serve as chairman of a group whose assignment carries such a meaningful purpose to a region of our nation, and certainly we are most pleased to have you as a part of the committee. May we have your reply as soon as feasible?

Respectfully,

James E. Stewart, Chairman
George S. Mitchell Award Committee

JES/mmj
Enclosure - 1.

GEORGE S. MITCHELL AWARD

The George S. Mitchell Award shall be instituted, after a vote of the Southern Regional Council Board at its November, 1963, Annual Meeting, "to perpetuate the lifelong interest of its first executive director, George S. Mitchell".

This (plaque - gold medal, scroll or trophy) is to be awarded to that person, regardless of race, creed or color, whom in the judgement of the George S. Mitchell Award Commitee (provided for herein in paragraph 7) shall have perforemd the highest or noblest achievement in the field of human relations in the (Nation - South-) during the preceding year or years.

Purpose

The purpose of the Award should be twofold -- first to call attention of the (American people - Citizens of the South) to the existence of distinguished merit and achievement among Southern persons of good will in the field of human relations, and secondly, to serve as a reward for such achievement, and as a stimulus to others who believe in the tenents of the Juedo-Christian precepts, but remain passive or silent.

Criteria for Selecting Recipients

The Award should be presented annually to that person of (the South - the Nation) and American citizenship, who in the judgement of the Committee has made the highest achievement during the preceding year or years honorably in the field of human relations. It would be my thinking that the George S. Mitchell Award Committee not be bound by burdensome restrictions, rather that it may decide for itself each year what particular act or achievement deserves the highest acclaim; and that the choice not be limited to any one field, whether of intellectual, physical, scientific, spiritual, commercial, educational, artistic, or other endeavor.

While the Committee would normally consider the highest achievement in the preceding year, it would be our thinking that if no achievement in any one year seems to merit it, the Committee may exercise its prerogative to make the Award for work achieved in preceding years, or may withhold it.

Time and place for the annual presentation of the George S. Mitchell Award should be considered by the S R C Board in terms of the widest possible coverage through every media of communication. (Probably at the Annual Dinner.)

The Committee

We would suggest a (5-7) person Committee of Award to be selected each year by the S R C Board. Their terms should be staggered, thus avoiding much discussion over matters decided before as well as allowing new members to profit by the older members experiences. The Committee's decision should be final in all matters affecting the Award.

Public notice should be released through every media of communication relating to the personnel of the Committee, as well as the address of its secretary (c/o S R C), in order to allow the general public the privilege of submitting in writing persons whom they would recommend for the Award.

Cost

The Award we select (medal, tropky, scroll or plaque) must be uniform or standard similar to the movie "Oscar" or television "Emmys". Also, it is my thinking that the S R C should pay the total expense of the winner (travel, lodging, et cetera) when the presentation is made.

Another expense may arise in that such an important action as selection of the winner and sifting all recommendations cannot adequately be done through mail, therefore, in my judgement the Committee would have to meet at least one time before reaching its decision.

* Parentheses -- please indicate your choice.

April 22, 1963

Mrs. Montez G. Albright
Administrative Assistant
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsythe Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mrs. Albright:

I appreciate your letter of April 9, 1963, in which you offered the services of your office to our committee.

Members of the Committee are:

Miss Josephine Wilkins, Atlanta, Georgia — c/o warm Min Springs Venice, Fla.
Mr. Paul Williams, Richmond, Virginia
Dr. Guy B. Johnson, Chapel Hill, N. C.
Dr. B. R. Brazeal, Atlanta, Georgia
Miss Dorcas Ruthenburg, Louisville, Ky.
Mr. E. T. Kehrer, Atlanta, Georgia

Will you make copies of the proposal as well as letters to each member, sign them for me, and mail them out. I am enclosing sufficient letterheads and envelopes. Thank you.

Sincerely,

James E. Stewart

James E. Stewart, ~~Chairman~~ ~~George S. Mitchell Award Committee~~
~~548 N. E.~~ 4
~~Oklahoma City, Oklahoma~~

~~JES/mmj~~

548 N. E. 4th St.
Oklahoma City, Okla.

April 22, 1963

Name
Title
Address
Town

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Respectfully,

James E. Stewart Sign for me

James E. Stewart, Chm
~~548 N. E.~~ 4th
~~Oklahoma City, Oklahoma~~

G. S. M. Award

Mr. Arnold S. Trebach
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OKLAHOMA NATURAL GAS COMPANY

POST OFFICE BOX 1620

OKLAHOMA CITY 1, OKLAHOMA

May 23, 1963

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar, Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Les:

Just a line to say hello and tell you that I have had response from two members of the George S. Mitchell Award Committee. They are Miss Grace D. Rutherburg and Mr. E. T. Kehrer.

It is my thinking that we should wait a few more days before attempting to digest or suggest such changes as have been sent by other committee members. At that time, if Mrs. Albright will be so kind, I would like to mail a digest of the changes or suggestions, and ask her to make up the revised form and mail them out.

If you have any suggestions, please feel free to let us have them? Then too, we hope you are keeping Mr. Dabbs abreast of our action.

I am enclosing two editorials from Oklahoma's largest daily newspaper, which I wish you would pass on to Margaret Long. I don't know how you people are getting along in Atlanta, but I expect the youngsters to be out on the streets here as they are in Greensboro and elsewhere, as soon as school is out next week.

Sincerely,

James E. Stewart

James E. Stewart,
Chairman,
George S. Mitchell Award
Committee.

June 11, 1963

Mr. James E. Stewart
548 N. E. 4th Street
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Dear Mr. Stewart:

Your letter of May 23 to Les is acknowledged.

Les has assigned me the responsibility of staff liaison person for the George Mitchell Award. Be assured that you have my full cooperation in this project.

You suggested a waiting period before digesting the changes submitted by the committee. I assume that you have the suggested changes, because we cannot find them here. If so, I would like to share them.

Looking forward to hearing from you and rendering whatever service I can toward the successful completion of the project, I am

Sincerely yours,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Assistant to the
Executive Director

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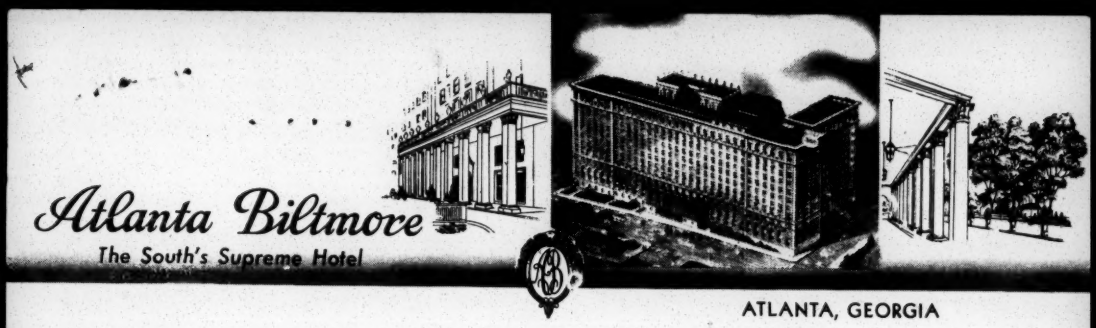

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Mildred -

I am attaching a carbon of a letter to Marion Wright and one of a letter to Jimmie Stewart. Please call Vernon Jordon's attention to the one to Mr. Stewart.

Josephine Wilkins

7-25-63

Copy

July 25, 1963

Dear Jimmie Stewart:

I happened to be down at the SRC the day after Les Dunbar returned from vacation, and toward the end of the afternoon he called several of the staff into his office and kindly suggested that I join them. Besides Les, there was Paul Anthony, Vernon Jordan and Henry Clark. Henry Clark is the young man reviewing the operations of the Council to whom Les referred in his last memorandum.

Among other things the discussion got around to the George Mitchell memorial, and someone threw out the thought that they wished it could involve the State Councils on Human Relations, since they after all were George's first love and his hope for changing the South was rooted primarily in them. The though immediately caught fire, and gradually an idea evolved that everybody there feels is a natural. Let me pass it on for your consideration.

It is suggested that the Award go annually to the State Council on Human Relations that has had the greatest increase in membership, percentage-wise, during the year. The Award would be a fixed sum of money, perhaps $500, that would be set aside each year for this purpose from the funds available for state aid. This would seem to be a particularly appropriate memorial to George since it would help build the Councils and help emphasize the grass-root ideal so central to his thinking. It, too, would permit mathematical selection of the winner of the Award, and would therefore obviate any possibility of jealousy that unavoidably would accompany other methods. And furthermore, since the winner would be thus easily determined, there would not be the annual drain in time and energy otherwise called for in making a choice.

Enthusiastic over the idea, I found myself looking over the draft we have been considering, with the

thought of what changes would be called for with this latter idea. I am attaching something of the kind in the thought that it may be helpful in considering the proposal. Do let me hear what you think of the idea.

Warm regards and good wishes.

Sincerely,

Josephine Wilkins

cc: Leslie Dunbar
Vernon Jordan

Mr. James E. Stewart, Chairman
George S. Mitchell Award Committee
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

August 22, 1963

George S. Mitchell Awards Committee

Fellow Member:

This is a follow-up to my letter and enclosure of April 25, 1963, in regard to the George S. Mitchell Award. We were pleased with your response.

Generally, we have been in agreement that the award should be in the form of a medal plaque with appropriate inscription, however, there was one suggestion that it be "a trophy of some sort symbolizing human dignity which might be more effective on television or in a news shot than a less colorful item such as a plaque or medal". There are jewelers who make up beautiful combination trophy-plaques which may be suitable and could be inscribed appropriately.

Most agree that the recipient should be from the South, although, again there was one who stated they lean toward the idea of including the United States as a whole "since Mr. Mitchell's example is emphatically needed not only in the Southern States". My opinion is that there would not be any great difference to our limiting this award to Southerners.

A majority agree that the Award Committee should consist of five persons, including the President and Chairman of the Executive Committee, and that the Committee be a continuing committee, electing persons in 1963, to serve one, two, and three year terms.

There was no decent to the S R C paying the total expense of the recipient to receive the award, however, one member inquired, "if the award might not carry with it some kind of monetary value as well?" Recently we received another letter which concerns money and here we ran into a strong suggestion that the award be given to the State Council on Human Relations "that has had the greatest increase in membership, percentage-wise, during the year".

While we recognize the need for membership and/or activity as well as funds within the various State Councils, and I could be dead wrong for expressing an opinion; however, I just can't for the life of me and in all honesty see where such would be an appropriate memorial to George S. Mitchell and it certainly was not remotely in our thinking at the time the proposal was made.

If some monetary incentive is needed to enhance the State Councils, we believe the director could justify such an award in concert with the matching fund allowance or a foundation grant, but we strongly suggest that it nowise be connected with the Mitchell Award.

Your Chairman's findings and digest of your thinking may not be what the Council wants at all. However, time is a factor which we must consider and I am offering the enclosed second draft for your consideration. Would it be your thinking that the Committee meet at Atlanta during the day prior to our dinner meeting and go over the draft?

I have appreciated hearing from most of you following the April 25, 1963 letter. We hope you will bring the enclosed draft to Atlanta with suggested changes or amendments.

Thank you for your cooperation, and it has been my pleasure to have served with you.

Respectfully yours,

James E. Stewart

James E. Stewart, Chairman
548 N. E. Fourth
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

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8/23/63

Hi Vernon:

Sorry for the delay. Please send copy of my letter and the new draft to all members of the George S. Mitchell Committee.

Hope to see you or other SRC people at Washington. Regards to all.

Respectfully,

Jimmy

August 27, 1963

Mr. James Stewart
Oklahoma Natural Gas Company
P. O. Box 1620
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Dear Jimmie:

The materials on the George Mitchell Award came in today. Thank you very much.

We will get your letter and the proposals out immediately to the members of the committee. I feel certain that you will get further response from them.

If there is anything else I can do to assist the committee just let me know.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Assistant to the Executive Director

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POST OFFICE BOX 1620

OKLAHOMA CITY 1, OKLAHOMA

September 5, 1963

Miss Dorcas Ruthenburg
Director
Public Affairs Programs, WHAS
Louisville, Kentucky

Re: George S. Mitchell Award

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There was no dissent to the SRC paying the total expense of the recipient to receive the award, however, one member inquired, "if the award might not carry with it some kind of monetary value as well?" Recently we received another letter which concerns money and here we ran into a strong suggestion that the award be given to the State Council on Human Relations "that has had the greatest increase in membership, percentage-wise, during the year."

While we recognize the need for membership and/or activity as well as funds within the various State Councils, and I could be dead wrong for expressing an opinion; however, I just can't, for the life of me and in all honesty, see where such would be an appropriate memorial to George S. Mitchell and it certainly was not remotely in our thinking at the time the proposal was made.

If some monetary incentive is needed to enhance the State Councils, we believe the director could justify such an award in concert with the matching fund allowance or a foundation grant, but we strongly suggest that it nowise be connected with the Mitchell Award.

Your Chairman's fingings and digest of your thinking may not be what the Council wants at all. However, time is a factor which we must consider and I am offering the enclosed second draft for your consideration . Would it be your thinking that the Committee meet at Atlanta during the day prior to our dinner meeting and go over the draft?

I have appreciated hearing from most of you following the April 25, 1963 letter. We hope you will bring the enclosed draft to Atlanta with suggested changes and/or amendments.

Thank you for your cooperation, and it has been my pleasure to have served with you.

Respectfully yours,

James E. Stewart
Chairman

JES:nm
Enclosure

First copies of the above letter was mailed to:

Mr. E. T. Kehrer
Dr. B. R. Brazeal
Mr. Paul Williams
Dr. Guy B. Johnson
Miss Josephine Wilkins

Carbon copy sent to:

Mr. James E. Stewart

October 15, 1963

Mr. James E. Stewart
548 N. E. 4th Street
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Dear Jimmie:

As per your agreement, I have, today, mailed out letters to the George S. Mitchell Award Committee, informing them of the planned meeting on November 24, at 8:00 p. m., in the Howard Johnson's South Motel, here in Atlanta. A copy of which is enclosed for your ready information.

As soon as I hear from them, I will let you know.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Assistant to the
Executive Director

VEJJr:nm
Enclosure

OKLAHOMA NATURAL GAS COMPANY

POST OFFICE BOX 1620

OKLAHOMA CITY 1, OKLAHOMA

October 15, 1963

Dr. Guy B. Johnson
Department of Sociology
University of North Carolina
Chapel Hill, North Carolina

RE: George S. Mitchell Award Meeting

Dear Dr. Johnson:

Arrangements have been completed, subject to your approval, for the George S. Mitchell Award Committee to meet on Sunday, November 24, at 8:00 p. m., in the Howard Johnson's South Motel, Atlanta, Georgia. Inasmuch as the Annual Meeting convenes the following morning, I felt that Sunday evening would be an appropriate time for this committee to convene. Surely most of you will have already arrived in Atlanta Sunday afternoon or early Sunday evening.

If the above mentioned time does not meet with your approval, please notify Mr. Jordan at the Council, at your earliest possible convenience, and indicate a more suitable time. You will be notified as to the meeting room in the motel at a later date.

Looking forward to seeing you on Sunday, November 24.

Sincerely yours,

James E. Steward
Chairman

JES:nm

Same ltr sent to
P. Williams; J. Wilkins; D. Rutkenburg; B. Brazeal;
E. Kehrer

File
Geo. S. Mitchell
Award Office

November 18, 1963

Mr. James E. Stewart
548 N. E. 4th Street
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Dear Jimmie:

As promised, I have today mailed out a follow-up notice to the George S. Mitchell Award Committee Members, reminding them of the meeting of November 24. A copy of which is enclosed for your information.

File

Looking forward to seeing you soon.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Assistant to the
Executive Director

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

SAME LETTER SENT TO: Dr. Johnson; Dean Brazeal; Miss Wilkins; Mr. Williams; Mr. Kehrer;

November 18, 1963

Miss Dorcas Ruthenburg
Director
Public Affairs Program, WHAS
Louisville, Kentucky

RE: George S, Mitchell Award Committee Meeting

Dear Miss Ruthenburg:

This comes as a reminder of the George S. Mitchell Award Committee Meeting, Sunday, November 24, at 8:00 p. m., at the Howard Johnson's South Motel. You may inquire at the front desk as to the meeting room.

We sincerely hope that you plan to attend this meeting. Our deliberations must be completed Sunday evening, inasmuch as we are scheduled to report to the entire Board in the general business session on Monday morning.

Looking forward to seeing you at that time.

Sincerely yours,

James E. Stewart
Chairman

JES:nm

SAME LETTER SENT TO: Dr. Guy B. Johnson; Dean Brazeal; Miss Wilkins; Mr. Paul Williams and Mr. Kehrer.

December 31, 1963

Miss Dorcas Ruthenburg
Director
Public Affairs Program, WHAS
Louisville, Kentucky

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RE: George S. Mitchell Award
Committee Meeting

Dear Miss Ruthenburg:

This comes as a reminder of the George S. Mitchell Award Committee Meeting, Tuesday, January 28, at 8:00 p.m., at the Peachtree Manor Hotel. You may inquire at the front desk as to the meeting room.

We sincerely hope that you plan to attend this meeting. Our deliberations must be completed Tuesday evening, inasmuch as we are scheduled to report to the entire Board in the general bu iness session on Wednesday morning.

Looking forward to seeing you at that time.

Sincerely yours,

James E. Stewart
Chairman

JES:nm

January 14, 1964

Mr. James E. Stewart
548 N. E. 4th Street
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Dear Jimmie:

As per our agreement, I have mailed out letters to the George S, Mitchell Award Committee, in forming them of the planned meeting on January 28, at the Peachtree Manor Hotel, at 8:00 p. m. A copy of which is enclosed for your ready information.

As soon as I hear from them, I will let you know.

Sincerely yours,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Assistant to the
Executive Director

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To Mr. Paul D. Williams July 21 1964

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CAN WE COUNT ON YOU TO SERVE ON 1964 NOMINATING COMMITTEE?

Mildred M. Johnson
Southern Regional Council

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1964 Nominating Cttee

Senders's name and address (For reference)

Sender's telephone number

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See attached suggestions!

File copy

Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 FORSYTH STREET, N. W. ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30303
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LESLIE W. DUNBAR,
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

A Council to attain the ideals and practices of equal opportunity for all peoples in the South

MEMORANDUM ~~July 27, 1964~~

To: SRC Board Members and State Council Directors

From: Mildred M. Johnson
Secretary to the Director

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The Nominating Committee will meet ~~during late~~ in August ~~or September~~ to determine the Committee's recommendations to be placed before the Members at the Annual Meeting on November ~~20.~~ 15-16.

In accordance with the By-Laws, ~~from 8-12~~ approximately five new members will need to be elected this year.

The Committee would like to have your suggestions for new members. If you will send them to me, I shall see that they are presented to the Nominating Committee. Please include as much information as possible about the person or persons whom you recommend.

~~You will recall that two years ago a class of Life Fellows was established. There is no compulsion nor is it even desirable to feel that we have to elect Fellows each year. However~~, If you have any suggestions ~~of~~ persons who would appropriately fit into ~~this~~ the category of Life Fellows please send in their names also, for consideration by the Executive Committee. May or may not be former SRC members. Persons elected to Life Fellowship

At the Executive Committee meeting of May 11, 1964 the following motion was passed:

Omit

RESOLVED, that the awarding of the honorary life fellowship in the Southern Regional Council pursuant to Article II of the By-Laws is a high honor. Because of this honor and distinction, selectivity is of primary importance. That an award or

awards need not be made annually, depending upon the wishes of the body. That, as permitted by the By-Laws, the recipient may be either a former Southern Regional Council member or a person who has never been a Southern Regional Council member.

Nominations of Life Fellows will be made by the Executive Committee at one of its regular meetings; each year the staff is to solicit recommendations from Council members, said recommendations to be placed before the Executive Committee.

The members of the 1965 Nominating Committee are:

Dean B. R. Brazeal
Dr. James A. Colston
Rabbi Charles Mantinband
Mr. Paul D. Williams
Mr. James E. Youngdahl

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James Stewart, Chm.
Joe Wilkins
Paul Wise
Guy Johnson
B. R. Brazeal
Dorcas Rutherford
E. T. Kehrer

Dear

DRAFT
Letter #1

Dear _____:

At the Annual Meeting a resolution was passed instructing me to "appoint a committee to recommend an appropriate George S. Mitchell Award." I would like to ask you to serve as chairman of this committe along with _____, _____, _____, ~~(Chairman)~~, _____, _____, _____.

The Annual Meeting gave little guidance as to what kind of an award should be established. The motion was made by ~~James Stewart~~ you; the minutes failed to show who seconded. It was, however, passed in the dying minutes of the meeting with almost no discussion. I assumed that the Members had in mind that annually or occasionally the Council would give some form of recognition to a person who had distinguished himself or herself in advancing the goals to which the Council subscribes, and to which George Mitchell devoted his career.

What you and your colleagues on the committee would need to consider are:

(a) purposes of the award;
(b) criteria for selecting recipients;
(c) form and cost of the award (and here we must keep in mind economy, unless some special funds could be attained for this purpose);
(d) procedure and other details involved in making the award.

I suspect that your deliberations could be conducted through the mails with possibly one committee meeting when you are all in Atlanta anyway for the Annual Meeting. ~~At any rate, _____, as chairman of your committee, will be in correspoddence soon unless you feel it necessary to advise me that you cannot serve.~~ I am sure that the committee can count on the

staff services of Mr. Dunbar and his associates.

With every good wish,

Sincerely yours,

James McBride Dabbs
President

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GEORGE S. MITCHELL AWARD

The George S. Mitchell Award is hereby instituted by vote of the Southern Regional Council at its 1963 Annual Meeting.

Purpose

The purpose of the Award shall be twofold: one, to perpetuate the memory of George S. Mitchell, second executive director of the Council, and his life-long interest and service to the South; and two, to call attention to other such distinguished service to the South, and to honor it, as a stimulus to others.

Criteria for Selecting Recipients

The Award shall be presented annually to that person, regardless of race, creed or color, who in the judgment of the George S. Mitchell Award Committee (hereinafter provided) has rendered meritorious service to the South in the field of human relations during the preceding year. This shall not apply, however, to professional working full-time in this field.

While the Committee shall normally consider the highest achievement in the preceding year, if no achievement in any one year seems to merit it, the Committee may make the award for work achieved in preceding years, or may withhold it.

THE COMMITTEE

The Award shall be administered by a five-man committee, to be known as the "George S. Mitchell Award Committee." It shall be composed of: the President of the Council, the Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Council, and three members of the Council to be elected by the membership at the Annual Meeting. Nominations for the elected members shall be made through regular channels by the Nominating Committee, and there shall be at least two new members of the Committee annually.

The Committee shall canvass the entire membership of the Council for nominations in making its selection of a recipient of the Award. There shall be at least one meeting of the Committee, and expense of attendance shall be borne by the Council.

The Committee shall make its selection in advance of the fall meeting of the Executive Committee and shall report the selection to the Committee at that meeting. The selection of one to be so honored by the Council must meet with the approval of the Executive Committee.

The Award

The Award shall be in the form of a medal plaque with appropriate inscirption.

Presentation

The presentation of the George S. Mitchell Award shall be at the Annual Dinner held during the Annual Meeting of the Council. The recipient shall be invited to attend the Annual Meeting to receive the award, and the total expense of his trip shall be borne by the Council.

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Criteria for Selecting Recipients

The Award shall be presented annually to the State Council on Human Relations that has the largest, percentage-wise, increase in its membership during the preceding year, from ____ to _____, as determined by the records on file in the office of the Southern Regional Council. The State Council winning the Award shall ~~mix~~ be notified not later than October 1 of the year the Award is to be made. ~~that person, regardless of race, creed or color, who in the judgment of the George S. Mitchell Award Committee (hereinafter provided) has rendered meritorious service to the South in the field of human relations during the preceding year. This shall not apply, however, to professionals working full-time in this field.~~

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The Award

The Award shall be in the form of a ~~medal plaque with appropriate inscription.~~ gift of Five Hundred Dollars to be presented annually to a State Council on Human Relations, as provided herein.

Presentation

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Attachment D

Report of the Committee

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Criteria for Selecting Recipients

The Award shall be presented annually to the State Council on Human Relations that has the ~~largest percentage-wise increase~~ in its membership during the preceding year, from Sept 1 to Aug 31, as determined by the records on file in the office of the Southern Regional Council. The State Council winning the Award shall be notified not later than October 1 of the year the Award is to be made.

The Award

The Award shall be in the form of a suitable citation and an ~~gift~~ of $1,000.00 to be presented annually to a State Council on Human Relations, as provided herein. This shall have no bearing on any other grant-in-aid appropriation

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~~The George S. Mitchell Award shall be subject to review and evaluation at any Annual Meeting.~~

C O P Y
(carbon copy disappeared from my desk)

April 18, 1961

Mr. Henry Clark
430 Canner Street
New Haven, Conn.

Dear Mr. Clark:

Thank you for your letter of April 10, which has been read here with great interest. Both your background and your motivation should entitle you to serious consideration for our position. We are, however, keenly desirous of locating a Negro for this spot and for that reason I cannot undertake the discussions with you which your qualifications merit. Before you conclude that this is racial discrimination in reverse, let me tell you that we have at the present time no Negro on our professional program staff in Atlanta, and I think you can understand that this deprives us not only of valuable representativeness but also insights and perspectives which we need.

I am presumptuous enough to inquire, however, whether you would consider and want to be considered for a temporary, one-year appointment. The situation is that the person we would very much like to have is not now available, but has indicated that he will be after February, 1961. This of course is binding neither on him nor us. We are sufficiently attracted by the prospect, however, that I would like to explore the possibility of some one else holding the fort a few months.

It was not clear to me from your letter when you expected to take your degree, though I assumed you were now finishing your examinations and are working at your dissertation. It occurred to me that if this were the case a one-year appointment might be something you could consider. Moreover, there is always the possibility that something else could develop at the Council, though I cannot be optimistic on that score. More importantly, from your point of view, I think the Council might be almost an ideal place from which to explore other opportunities in this field.

I did notice in the Sunday New York Times that your Middletown study was expected to last 15 months. We are of course interested, especially on this temporary basis, in filling the position as soon as possible.

I do not know how much your friend may have informed you, so I am enclosing with this letter a copy of an announcement of the job which was sent to a few friends.

I wish you would telephone me collect to let me know your reaction to this possibility. If you are interested, we shall try to arrange an interview; perhaps this could be done at some place lcoser to you than Atlanta.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Leslie W. Dunbar
Director of Research

LWD:a
Enclosure

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July 25, 1961

File
Henry Clark

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director, Southern Regional Council
Room 201, 5 Forsyth St., N.W.
Atlanta 3, Ga.

Dear Mr. Dunbar:

I shall be in Atlanta on Tuesday, August 1st. I wonder if you would be kind enough to see me for a short while that day?

In case you are not in town or otherwise engaged, could I see some other official of the SRC?

Cordially yours,

Henry Clark

Address until July 31st: c/o Beacon Press
25 Beacon St.
Boston, Mass.

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YALE UNIVERSITY
GRADUATE SCHOOL

New Haven, Connecticut

MILDRED L. HACKETT
Supervisor of Teacher Placement

22 January 1962

PA

Mr. Paul Anthony
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Anthony:

The enclosed credentials are sent in response to the request of Mr. Henry B. Clark, II.

Please feel free to keep them as long as they are of use to you, but when they have served their purpose kindly return them to this office.

It will be helpful to us if, when you return the credentials, you will inform us what action, if any, you have taken.

If any of these papers should not be up-to-date it is because we have not heard from the candidate recently.

Sincerely yours,

Mildred L. Hackett

Credentials enclosed:

Henry Baisley Clark, II

January 22, 1962

Mr. Henry Clark
607 Whitney Avenue
New Haven, Connecticut

Dear Mr. Clark:

We will look forward to having a copy of your dossier and certainly it will be reviewed as job opportunities develop here or elsewhere in the South.

Thank you for your nice words about the Council. We are having you put on our general mailing list.

Sincerely,

PA:bp

Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

607 Whitney Ave.
New Haven, Conn.
January 4, 1962

Mr. Paul Anthony
Southern Regional Council
Room 201, 5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Anthony:

In accordance with our conversation this summer regarding opportunities for work on the staff of the Southern Regional Council, I am requesting the Office of Teacher Placement at Yale to send you a copy of my dossier. In case an opening turns up any time during the next five years or so, please consider me as an interested applicant for the post. I remain vitally concerned with, impressed by and appreciative of the fine work the SRC is doing. Good luck in 1962.

Respectfully yours,

Henry Clark

Henry Clark

OFFICE OF TEACHER PLACEMENT

HALL OF GRADUATE STUDIES
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Information concerning

HENRY BAISLEY CLARK, II

Present Address

607 Whitney Avenue
New Haven 11, Connecticut

The work of the Office of Teacher Placement in the Graduate School is conducted in coöperation with representatives of the department in which candidates have been enrolled.

The information given herewith is for the use of school or college officers and other employers and *should not be shown or given to the applicant.* Unless this rule is strictly observed the purpose of the papers will be defeated.

Please return these papers to the Supervisor of Teacher Placement when they have served their purpose.

HENRY BALSLEY CLARK, II. Born 12/9/30. Married. Two Children. American.

B.A., Duke University, Durham, North Carolina, 1953.
B.D., Union Theological Seminary, New York, New York, 1959.
9/57-6/58, Middle year taken at Universität Bern, Bern, Switzerland.
Candidate for Ph.D., Yale University, 196 .

Duke: Omicron Delta Kappa, Phi Beta Kappa, Magna Cum Laude graduate, Douglas Macarthur Award (outstanding NROTC graduate in nation, 1953), Woodrow Wilson Fellowship, Danforth Fellow. Union: Travelling Fellowship (top academic average in graduating class), Summa Cum Laude graduate.

Traveled in USSR, Egypt and Western Europe. Studied in Bern, Switzerland 1957-58.

Prepared to teach Social Ethics: Race Relations; Ethical Values and Economic Policy. Sociology of Religion: Christian Ethics: Social Teachings of the Christian Churches. Philosophical Ethics: English Ethical Thought, 1640 - 1960; Existentialism. Religion: New Testament; Church History.

Experience:

9/61-6/62 Assistant in Instruction, Sociat Ethics, Yale University Divinity School.

On November 21, 1961, Liston Pope, Dean of the Divinity School, Yale University, wrote concerning Mr. Henry B. Clark, II:

I do not like to use superlatives in making recommendations, as they seem to me often to be self-defeating. But I could not record honestly on my opinion of Henry B. Clark's abilities and promise without saying that he is clearly one of the best students I have ever had. This judgment can be supported by the records of his academic performance in all of the institutions in which he has ever studied. But no record on paper can quite depict the maturity, sagacity, and curiosity that characterize his intellectual processes.

Mr. Clark's character and personality traits are of the same high order. He has a high sense of honor, and he speaks with clarity and conviction. I should be very much surprised if he is not a leader in the field of social ethics in a very few years. He gives promise of being a cogent and compelling teacher, as well as a productive research scholar.

On October 30, 1961, H. Richard Niebuhr, Sterling Professor of Theology and Christian Ethics, Yale Divinity School, wrote concerning Mr. Henry B. Clark, II:

I have known Mr. Clark for some three years and have been very pleased with his development as a graduate student in Social Ethics. He has been a member of my graduate seminar and I have had frequent contact with him outside the classroom. I have high respect for his intelligence and am delighted by the way he is personally involved in the problems of social ethics. He is not an utopian or a romanticist in his concern for social reform; but neither is he an abstracted scholar, concerned with the questions of Christian and social ethics as though they were purely conceptual problems. He combines the contemplative and practical interests to a very high degree. Personally he is a very attractive man who has great capacities for friendship and cooperation. He is thoroughly open and frank in all his dealings with others. I can think of no particular reservation I ought to make in commending him for appointment to the sort of position for which his training has qualified him.

On October 27, 1961, William Lee Miller, Associate Professor of Social Ethic, Yale University Divinity School, wrote concerning Mr. Henry B. Clark, II:

Mr. Clark is an extraordinarily able person who will make an excellent teacher. He is an intelligent and diligent student of high rank in intellectual ability, with a strong committment to his field of study and a conscientious devotion to teaching and social action. He is an open and attractive person. He has been an assistant in instruction in my class, and has done extraordinarily well. I recommend him highly.

On October 18, 1961, John C.Bennett, Dean, Union Theological Seminary, wrote concerning HENRY CLARK:

Henry Clark is a very able student. He has remarkable intellectual initiative and energy. He has a capacity to plan a long range project and carry it through with thoroughness. For example, he came to the Seminary with an interest in Schweitzer to the point of adulation. He wanted to write his B.D. Thesis on him. He decided to go for one of his years to the theological faculty in Bern, Switzerland, where one of Schweitzer's chief interpreters teaches. The result was that he became more critical of Schweitzer from so much exposure to him and when he wrote the thesis it was a very balanced treatment. It was one of the most brilliant B.D. theses that we have had in years and it is to be published by the Beacon Press, an unheard-of thing for a B.D. thesis. That episode can give a better idea of Clark's vitality and thoroughness than many sentences of description.

Clark has very broad interests including philosophy theology, ethics and sociology. He is an extremely attractive and forceful personality. He is a well organized and responsible person, deeply committed as a Christian and in the liberal tradition. He also has a great concern about social issues and, as a southerner, he has shown special interest in the race problem. He certainly has the qualities that should make him a very effective teacher as well as a scholar who keeps at his work of scholarship. He writes very well as I know from the thesis to which I have referred.

On October 17, 1961, Robert Lee, Professor of Social Ethics and Director of the Institute of Ethics and San Francisco Theological Seminary/ Society, wrote concerning HENRY B. CLARK, II:

I am happy to recommend without qualification Mr. Henry Clark as an eminently qualified person in the field of higher education. Mr. Clark was in my class on sociology of religion at Union Theological Seminary four years ago. I have known him for seven years. I honestly cannot recall another student who has such a passion for learning. He is probably the most widely read graduate student I have ever known.

Mr. Clark possesses all the qualities that should enable him to make a solid contribution to the academic world--a quick, alert, imaginative mind; a retentive capacity; a selfstarter, independent and critical ability. Heis the only graduate student who has ever bwen invited to write a critical book review for THE REVIEW OF RELIGIOUS RESEARCH, a quarterly journal in the sociology of religion.

Mr. Clark's scholarly talents do not in any way diminish his social sensitivity, his desire to be involved in the crucial issues of the world around him.

I certainly wish we had an opening here for him. I would surely grab him if I could. In every respect he is an ideal teacher in the field of religion.

On October 16, 1961, Professor Kenneth W. Underwood, Department of Social Ethics and Public affairs, Wesleyan University, Middletown, Connecticut, wrote concerning HENRY B. CLARK, II:

I will first indicate the context in which I have observed and known Henry Clark and then will make some comments on his character and promise as a teacher-scholar.

He served as the chief researcher on a study of the Negro in the Middletown community which was supervised by a committee on social research at Wesleyan Public Affairs Center. I was chairman of the committee and kept in close touch with the work which Mr. Clark did. I have not had him as a student, nor have I seen him any teaching situation.

My impressions are very positive and would anticipate that he would be a teacher and scholar of consideranle promise and importance in the discipline of social ethics and sociology of religion. He is a person of tremendous energy and drive and displays a first-rate intelligence. At this stage of his development he tends to become prematurly enthusiastic about the projects he undertakes and conceived the scope of his work too broadly and tends to over generalize on his data. I would, however, prefer this kind of enthusiasm and commitment and imagination to a plodding, routine, cautious kind of excess on the other side.

I have been greatly impressed by the respect which he earned among a Wesleyan faculty composed of such diverse disciplines as social psychology, social ethics, history, theology and economics. I also have heard from a number of community leaders in Middletown (in politics, government, business, minority groups) of how successful he was in establishing rapport and an atmosphere of mutual confidence in his discussions of some very controversial and delicate matters in the Middletown community. I also observed that he was able to interview people of very limited educational and income background equally well and combined scholarly rigor with compassion.

On October 14, 1961, James M. Gustafson, Associate Professor, Yale University Divinity School, wrote concerning HENRY B. CLARK, II:

Clark's moral character is in every respect known to me without significant fault. As a person I find him to have an irrepressible enthusiasm for every task that he undertakes. He is always friendly, affirmative, eager to participate and self-confident. He does not become discouraged under the conditions of rather direct criticism. In sum, Clark has extraordinary energy, coupled with a pleasant and affirmative outlook.

Clark has unusual gifts for teaching. He is bound to arouse student interest in his subject matter, and will without doubt spend hours beyond the call of normal duty in discussions with those in his charge. He likes to have his materials well organized; indeed, one suspects that lectures will come out with very clear outlines, perhaps even too rigid ones. He will work to master all the literature pertinent to his teaching responsibilities, and his work will manifest his wide range of reading.

As a scholar, I expect Clark to continue to do research and to write. His style of intellectual work can be described as more the mastery of large volumes of material and empirical data than creative and imaginative development of ideas. What insight and originality he has is more the fruit of seeing other people's work in comparison, contrast, or congenial affinity rather than in the profound insight that often come to a man who reflects in solitude. I suspect that his research activity will be geared to his deeply felt concerns for social morality. The relation to values, however, does not keep Clark from pursuing studies with as much rigor to control bias as is general among scholars. Where his enthusiasms sometimes take him afield, he is not reluctant to retract and to search out a new path of ideas to replace the deficient ones.

On October 10, 1961, Daniel D. Williams, Roosevelt Professor of Systematic Theology, Union Theological Seminary, New York, wrote concerning Mr. Henry B. Clark, II:

Mr. Henry Clark is well-known to me as a student. He took several of my courses and one or two seminars, and I was a reader of his thesis, when he took the B.D. degree in Union Theological Seminary.

He is a man of remarkable energy and real ability in the field of the interpretation of religion. He is interested in ideas, he has a sensitivity to many kinds of problems and there is a quality of personal insight and involvement in him which is unusual in a student of his age. His thesis on Albert Schweitzer is, in my judgment, one of the best essays ever written about Schweitzer. I understand that it is being considered for publication, and it is surely worthy of publication. Mr. Clark's mind ranges over a large number of ideas. I think his growth toward maturity will take the form of a sharpening of the focus of his thinking and a demonstration of his capacity for sustained, disciplined thinking. He already shows real promise in these directions. I would expect him to be a first-rate teacher in his field of study.

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Graduate work elsewhere: Universitat Bern 1957-58

Scholarship:

Fellowship / Assistantship: Danforth Fellowship 1959-60 ; Danforth Fellowship 1960-61

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YEAR	DEPT. AND COURSE NO.	COURSE TITLE	Weekly Class Hours Fall Term	Weekly Class Hours Spring Term	GRADE	INSTRUCTOR	Tuition
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	Rel. 260	Seminar in Social Ethics	2	2	H	Pope	
	Rel. 360	Ethics and Politics	2	2	H	Miller	
	Rel. 133a	Christian Ethics I	audit 3	-	audit	Niebuhr	
	Soc. 118a	American Race Relations: The Indian and the Negro	2	-	H	Davie	
	Soc. 129b	Problems of the Family	-	audit 2	audit	Buerkle	
	~~Psych. 118b~~	Seminar in Social Psychology	-	Dropped 1/29/60 2		Doob	
	Phil. 170	Types of Ethical Theory	audit 2	audit 2	audit	Blanshard	
	Relig. 220	Social Teaching of the Church	-	2	H	Bainton	
	Econ. 175b	Collective Choice	-	audit 2	audit	Lindblom	
1960-61	Rel. 141a	Sociology of Religion	3	-	audit	Gustafson	Full 1000
	Rel. 141b	Seminar in Sociology of Religion	-	2	audit	Gustafson	
	Rel. 134b	Recent Christian Social Thought	-	3	audit	Gustafson	
	Rel. 239b	Ethics and the Social Sciences	-	3	audit	Gustafson	
	Rel. 237b	Thought of Ernst Troeltsch	-	2	audit	Niebuhr	
	Rel. 168a	Seminar in Church and Race	3	-	audit	Pope	

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October 12, 1961
Date

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Grade Explanations
H = Honors —90 or above
HP = High Pass —85-89
P = Pass —75-84

PUBLICATIONS OF HENRY BALSLEY CLARK, II

"The Gospel With Gemütlichkeit," UNION THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY QUARTERLY REVIEW, January 1959.

"A Kairos Confronts Us," Yale Divinity School SIGNS AND TIMES, November 1960.

THE ETHICAL MYSTICISM OF ALBERT SCHWEITZER (Boston: Beacon Press, 1962)

"Letter to an East German Pastor," HOW TO PREACH THE GOSPEL IN A MARXIST LAND--Co-translator (from the German original)

On October 9, 1961, Reinhold Niebuhr, Vice-Presiednt Emeritus, Union Theological Seminary, New York, wrote concerning Mr. Henry B. Clark, II:

Mr. Clarke is an excellent student, a dedicated scholar, who has real promise as a gifted teacher. Have not had occasion to observe his Doctoral program, but have complete confidence in him on basis of previous observation.

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ENROLLED AS CANDIDATE FOR THE DEGREE OF: B.D.

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ENTITLED TO HONORABLE DISMISSAL
GRADUATED: May 26, 1959
DEGREE: Bachelor of Divinity, summa cum laude

SUBJECT OF SPECIAL INTEREST
SUBJECT OF THESIS: The Structure and Significance of Albert Schweitzers Ethical Mysticism
Grade: A

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CHRISTIAN ETHICS	211 3 a	242 2 a	SJ2123 B+				231 4 A					
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Scales of Grading

Before 1929 (i.e. through 1928-29)

A	90-100
B	85-90
C	80-85
D	70-80
E	60-70
F	failure

1929-30 through 1933-34

A	90-100
B	80-90
C	70-80
D	60-70
F	failure

1934-35 through 1938-39; 1946-47 through 1952-53

A	outstanding excellence
B	good
C	passing, but less than satisfactory
D	failure with the possibility of make-up
F	failure /or re-examination

1939-40 through 1945-46

Group I	honors
Group II	pass
Group III	low pass
F	failure

1953-54 -

A and A-	brilliant or outstanding
B+	superior
B	good
B-	satisfactory
C+	fair
C and C-	passing
D	failure with the possibility of make-up
F	failure /or re-examination
H	attendance only
P	passed, no letter grade assigned

607 Whitney Ave.
New Haven, Conn.
March 26, 1962

Mr. Paul Anthony
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Anthony:

This is simply to notify you of my time of arrival in Atlanta. I have decided to come Thursday morning very early, for that will give me an opportunity to see some other persons in Atlanta whom I am interested in talking with. I shall call your office early Thursday morning to find out what your schedule is for me -- but if you have no plans for me on Thursday, I shall not plan to come to your office until mid-afternoon.

I was delighted to hear from you today, and I look forward to seeing you on Thursday and Friday. I have tentatively arranged to take a 6:00 p.m. flight back to New York Friday evening; however, I can stay later if you so desire.

Cordially yours,

Henry Clark

Henry Clark

April 6, 1962

Mr. Henry Clark
607 Whitney Avenue
New Haven, Connecticut

Dear Henry:

I think you probably have made a mistake but then I am not even yet in the position to offer you a firm alternative. As I told you by phone last Monday we were, however, sincerely and greatly interested in the possibility that you might join us. I am both personally and officially very sorry that you have removed yourself from consideration. I think the research position here might have given you opportunities for expression and influence that would have been as gratifying and beneficial to you as they would have been valuable to others.

Best wishes in your job at Howard. Each man is presumably the best judge of his own course and I sincerely hope that you have made the right decision.

Let us hear from you from time to time.

Sincerely yours,

Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director

LWD/mmj

607 Whitney Avenue
New Haven, Conn.
April 3, 1962

Dear Mr. Dunbar,

After a rather sleepless night and extended conversation with my wife and various professors, I have decided to take the job at Howard. It was really a tough decision, but the desire to get some teaching experience in the broad field of social ethics won out over all of the many attractions of a possible post with the SRC.

This was definitely a head-over-heart decision, and every time I think about what I am missing in Atlanta (especially in the way of working companions) I have a twinge of regret. In trying to "play it safe" regarding a career in teaching, I may have missed the chance of a lifetime. In deciding that what I most need and want just now is an opportunity to organize and reflect upon all that I have learned in graduate school in many different areas, I may have lost a unique opportunity for depth in the one area that means most to me.

All of this is to say, among other things, that I am hoping another chance may arise for me to be considered for a post with the SRC. A few years of teaching will give me more ability to handle a job as demanding as that of Research Director, and it will give me a chance to see whether or not I like teaching as much as I think I do. And if I still think I want to stay in teaching, my chances of getting back in will be much better.

I know that you will be coming to Washington occasionally, and I wish very much that you would spend the night with us when you can. As soon as we get settled there, I'll send you my address. In the meantime, I am going to send you a copy of my book (hoping that it doesn't make you glad you never hired that guy Clark!)....

Thank you for the two days in Atlanta. My deeper knowledge of what the SRC is doing, and of the people who provide its leadership, has increased my appreciation of it enormously. I sincerely hope that I can remain closely related to the SRC in one way or another during the coming years.

Cordially yours,

Henry Clark

Henry Clark

April 9, 1962

Dear Mr. Dunbar,

Just a note to acknowledge your latest letter. It reawakens my uncertainty about the decision, and it gives me another pang of personal regret about not being able to work on the same staff with you and some of the other people I met and liked so much there. But the die is cast now, for the one thing I'm sure of in all of this is that once you have agreed to take a job, you have to stick with it. The appointment is only for one year at a time, though, which gives me freedom to consider other things that open up. I know, of course, that you want to get a Research Director who will stay with you for several years. But in case you do have an opening there again, please let me know, because by that time I will be able to judge how much I love teaching, and I will be much better qualified to fill that position.

Thank you for your good wishes, Mr. Dunbar. I certainly shall let you hear from me now and then, and I shall hope to see you once in a while when you are in Washington or I am in Atlanta. Best wishes to you and the SRC, too.

Sincerely yours,

Henry Clark

Henry Clark

HOWARD UNIVERSITY
WASHINGTON 1, D. C.

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January 28, 1963

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director
Southern Regional Council
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Dunbar:

I was very excited to get your letter of January 25th, with its news of a possible assignment with the SRC this summer. At this moment, I am not certain that I could take on an assignment with you, should it be offered -- but I am certainly interested in knowing more about the particulars.

This is my situation: I have just signed a two-year teaching contract at Union Theological Seminary in New York City, beginning next fall. There is a lot I could be doing this summer to get ready for next year (especially in view of the fact that we have to move again); however, I do have some leeway, and I would be willing to work harder this spring and next fall in order to get some experience with you during the summer. But what do you mean when you speak of "this summer"? I want to go to Yale for graduation about June 10th, if possible, and I need a little time for a rest with my family. In short, I'm not sure I want to get involved for more than an eight-week period, and I would be just as happy if it turned out that the assignment you have in mind is even shorter than that. On the other hand, a really exciting job with you might be so attractive I couldn't turn it down.

There are several other complicating factors. Our lease here runs through July, but perhaps we could get out of part of that. I have also started to line up a couple of other possibilities for the summer, but neither of them sounds as interesting as the SRC. The strength of my wife's protests might be a critical factor, but at least she didn't burst into tears immediately when I asked her how she would like to live in Atlanta for a couple of months!

Let me take the opportunity to express my appreciation to two members of your staff for their help in connection with a paper I have been writing. I'm writing them personally, but I would like for you to know how very much I appreciate the excellent assistance given me by Wiley Branton and Staige Blackford. The latter has requested a copy of my paper, and I shall send it as soon as it is mimeographed. I'll be very curious to get your reaction.

I cannot commit myself for the summer until I know more of what will be required, but I am definitely interested. I hope to hear from you soon. Thank you for writing.

Cordially, Henry Clark

January 31, 1963

Mr. John Wheeler
President
Mechanics and Farmers Bank
Durham, North Carolina

Dear John:

You will recall that I requested that a committee be appointed from the Executive Committee as well as a committee from general membership for the staff to consult with in the program review and evaluation which we plan. I am fairly positive now that because of Paul Rilling's resignation and other things that we will not be able to carry out this program study on the schedule we had first set for ourselves. Nevertheless, I think it would be well to go ahead and appoint the committees. I don't believe this has to be an agenda item at the Executive Committee meeting; I think you could simply, from the chair, make the appointment. I would suggest that it be a three-man committee; Al Dent, Grace Hamilton, and Raymond Wheeler seem to me to be good possibilities.

I am writing also to Mr. Dabbs suggesting a committee of six from the general membership.

All the best.

Sincerely yours,

Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director

LWD/mmj

February 7, 1962

Mr. Henry Clark
1314 Kalmia Road, N. W.
Washington 12, D. C.

Dear Henry:

I am glad to have your letter, and to know that you possibly are interested in helping this summer.

The spark for suggesting this to you probably comes from the fact that my first working association with SRC was in the summer of 1958, when Harold asked me down to help plan a new project for which we had got a foundation grant. I got over my head, and came back in February permanently. I don't prescribe this course for you. But I do feel that, inexperienced as I then was, I was of some help that summer. Chiefly, I collected materials, researched a couple points, outlined some research ideas, and served Harold as a backboard against which he bounced ideas.

The staff has committed itself to do a thorough review and evaluation of all our current operations, and to think about new ones; and to complete this by early Fall. This is chiefly what we think you could help with. What "help" would consist of is, probably, reading widely in current literature, collecting materials, and -- with the innocence of an outsider -- inventorying and describing various things we do now.

This letter constitutes an offer, but I am afraid we must condition the offer on your staying at least eight weeks and up to three months. We could pay salary at the rate of $7,200 a year, and

pay for your travel expenses down and back, but not your family's. (In the summer of 1958, I left my family at home; I don't recommend that unless you have, as I did then, a manuscript to get written at the same time.)

Congratulations on the Union appointment. I am leaving town February 5, and will not be back until February 13. I hope to hear from you soon.

Sincerely yours,

Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director

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1314 Kalmia Rd., N.W.
Washington 12, D.C.
February 10, 1963

Dear Mr. Dunbar,

This time I think we have made connections. The major reservation in my mind when I wrote my last letter was my reluctance to make the family change residence for just two ~~weeks.~~ months. My wife turned out to be just as interested in spending two months in Atlanta as I am -- so, since your proposal is very exciting in every otherrespect, we are all set to come.

We would like to be there for nine weeks, July 1 - Sept.1. Because of rental considerations, my family will have to leave on Sept.1, and I would like to leave with them. I would like to plan to leave with them. If there are still some loose ends to be tied up, I could stay one week longer, and if we were really on the verge of coming up with something earth-shaking (I can see you smiling indulgently!), I could stay until Sept. 15th. If, under these circumstances, you think I could be of some use to the SRC, I would like very much to come.

I am writing today also to a friend at Emory re housing. If you happen to know of anyone who is going away during July and August and would like to rent a completely furnished place (preferably a house, and preferably with use of dishes and linens as well as rooms and yard), please let me know about it.

I really think this buddy of mine at Emory will be able to come up with something, and I'm not trying to transfer the responsibility of finding me a place to live to you, but if your former Emory connections make you aware of anything vacant, I'd appreciate being advised of the possibility.

I'll be fairly busy between now and then, but if you have any advance reading to suggest, I'll be eager to get started. I have all the back issues of NEW SOUTH, all the special reports, etc., and I'll have all this material read before I arrive.

Thank you for giving me this opportunity to work with you, Les. I am looking forward to it with great enthusiasm.

Cordially,

Henry

Henry Clark

February 22, 1963

Mr. Henry Clark
1314 Kalmia Road, N. W.
Washington 12, D. C.

Dear Henry:

We are very glad that you will be with us during July and August. We will be on the look-out for housing, though it's hard to promise. And, if we can help with anything else in getting you unsettled, let us know.

Perhaps sometime later we may be sending you a few things, and certainly we shall have some more correspondence. In the meantime, enclosed is a copy of my Annual Report.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Leslie W. Dunbar'
Executive Director

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Enclosure - 1. (Annual Report, 1962)

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February 25, 1963

Dear Mr. Dabbs,

Enclosed is a letter from Mr. Davidson in which he accepts membership on the Committee for Program Review and Evaluation. We have made a copy of the letter for our files.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Mildred Johnson
Secretary to Director

MJ
Enclosure - 1.

Mr. James M. Dabbs
Rip Raps Plantation
Mayesville, South Carolina

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OFFICE OF THE EDITOR

DAYTONA BEACH FLORIDA

Feb. 21, 1963

Mr. James McBride Dabbs
President
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Dabbs:

Thank you for your letter. Honestly I shouldn't take on any further obligations, but how can I say "no" to my favorite gentleman from South Carolina? So I'll do my assignment, fearing I lack the background but at the same time hoping it won't involve any voluminous reading of reports.

Mrs. Davidson and I are planning a motor trip into Canada probably in July and we just may treat ourselves to something we have wanted to do a long time--drop in on you on your plantation.

In case you haven't heard, the Florida Council for Human Relations has a new director--starting in June--and things are looking up.

Devotedly,

Herbert M. Davidson
Publisher

HMD/nb

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Dear Les,

I received today from Mrs. Charles White an acceptance of the committee appointment I assigned her. Unless you have already written her, as I requested, just drop it. Thanks.

~~Sincerely,~~

J. M. Dabbs.

J. M. Dabbs.

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G. S. Mitchell
cc

April 23, 1963

Mr. Henry Clark
1314 Kalmia Road, N. W.
Washington 12, D. C.

Dear Henry:

I expect to be in Washington during the daylight hours of May 9, though it could be May 8 or even May 10. Will you be in town? I would like to call you while there, hopefully to get together for a bit.

Sincerely yours,

Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director

LWD/mmj

HOWARD UNIVERSITY
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April 25, 1963

Dear Les,

I was delighted to know that you are coming to Washington around May 9th. I look forward to seeing you, and I hope you can come out to our house and enjoy one of my wife's good meals with us. Just call me when you get to town, and we'll make arrangements then. I have classes on Thursday from 10:00 to 12:15, so that much of the day is tied up; on Wednesdays and Fridays, though, I am entirely free of outside obligations.

Cordially yours,

Henry Clark

Henry Clark

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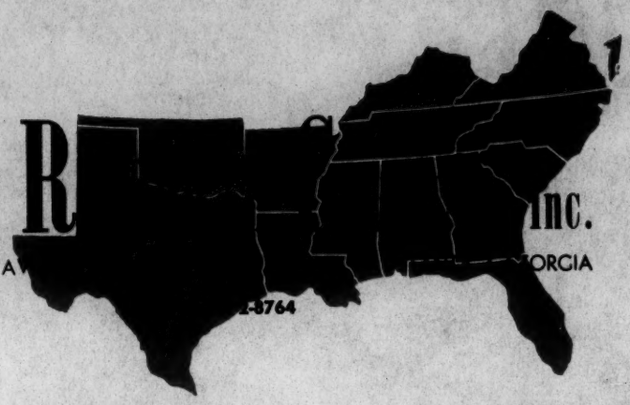

A Council to attain, through research and action, the ideals and practices of equal opportunity for all peoples in the South.

INTEROFFICE MEMO

Date June 28, 1963

To: Henry Clark , VEJ

From: Staige D. Blackford

Subject: Research Department

Henry,

The activities of the research department can be broadly divided into three major categories. They are respectively:

1) To handle the publication of SRC special reports, pamphlets, studies, L-Reports, etc.

(a) This involves assigning pieces to outside authors, then editing and processing them for publication. OR it involves planning, preparing and publishing a piece right here in the office. For example, at the present time, we have three manuscripts, two of which were prepared by outside authors and one by Bob Coles of our staff, which are about come out. One is a study of tokenism by Ken Morland of Randolph-Macon Woman's College, another is a study of the economic status of the Negro in the South and the Nation, by Vivian Henderson of Fisk, and the third a psychiatric study of white and Negro children in desegregated schools by Dr. Coles. All of these publications will be released within the next few weeks. In addition, I am working on a short narrative history of the direct action movement, and Montez Albright is revising a study of religion and race. We are also planning to issue periodic (b) supplements to "The Civil Rights Crisis: A Synopsis of Recent Developments," a backgrounder released to a limited audience this week.

2) To service requests from members of the press, government officials, scholars, students and other individuals seeking information about southern problems and developments.

(c) This is, perhaps, not as spectacular a function as our publications, but it is no less significant. Montez is now handling what we consider "routine requests." These are the letters from students, scholars, and individuals all over the country requesting some of our materials, asking for specific information, or writing in to say, "I am writing a term paper on the South, can you help me?" Then, we have (d) an unending stream of visitors coming here to seek out facts, figures,

and other data from our files. Barbara Patterson and Joe Tucker try to help these people. A good part of their time and mine is spent working with newsmen who either call in or drop by for information, interpretation, and background analysis of what is going on.

3) To maintain and keep as up-todate as possible our files.

This is one of our biggest tasks--and, I sometimes think, one of our biggest headaches. The flow of information that pours into this office daily and weekly is about as immense as what goes over Niagara Falls. We receive 5 daily newspapers, a beaucoup of magazines and pamphlets, and regular shipments of clips from all over the country processed by the Southern Education Reporting Service in Nashville. It is, to say the least, a constant battle to keep from getting swamped. This information must be scanned, catalogued for the proper file, and then filed. Joe Tucker is the man primarily responsible for keeping our files in order.

Those, in broad outline, are the activities and responsibilities of the research department. Our staff consists of the following persons:

1) myself
2) Montez Albright - research associate
3) Barbara Patterson, research assistant
4) Joe Tucker, librarian
5) Nobbie Morgan, secretary (also to Vernon Jordan).
6) Carol Hoeschen, part-time student worker (i.e., Carol is working for us this summer (for free!) helping with routine jobs like filing, reproducing copies of material, etc.)

I should point out here that one of the perennial problems of this department has been, in my opinion, the constant turnover in personnel: no sooner does a person become familiar with its operations than he or she either leaves or is moved elsewhere. I hope, though, that our personnel situation is stabilized for the foreseeable future. But I think it would be helpful to explain that all of us are relatively new to our jobs. I have, for example, been here 10 months, am just now beginning to feel at home in my position. While Montez is an old research hand, she only moved into her new slot in May. The same holds true for Barbara Patterson and Nobbie Morgan. Carol only joined us last week.

Joe Tucker joined us late last fall. All-in-All, we are a pretty new crew aboard a ship that's hitting some mighty stormy weather indeed right now. Nevertheless, I think it's a ready, willing and able crew--and one receptive to new ideas.

As for any reservations and dissatisfactions, I may have about the department, I'll be glad to discuss them with you further. Basically, however, I'd say we have three major problems. They are:

1. Lack of space -- We are rapidly running out of room for our files.

2. Duplicated and/or outdated files-- Part of the problem No. 1 can-- and, I hope, will--be overcome this summer by a weeding out of our clip files and pamphlet files. We have a great deal of material that can be and should be thrown out. Our pamphlet file section needs a drastic overhaul. And, I think, we do need to consider the possibility of reorganizing our filing category somewhat. Any hints or suggestions you have about this will be most welcome. I must confess that filing is not one of my fortes. I do believe, however, that our files are in better shape than they have been for sometime.

3) Understaffed -- Carol will be a great asset to us this summer, as my wife was during the past spring. But while we have the largest SRC department, I am firmly convinced that we need one more person at least part-time to help out with filing, "crash" projects, and other odds and ends that other staffers are simply too busy to handle. It may not be possible for us to hire such a person, but I know Joe and Barbara will concur with me in thinking a third Morgue man would sure come in handy.

I hope this outline of our activities will be helpful to you. If you desire any further information, it is yours, for the asking.

I look forward to working with you this summer. To sum up: ours may not be the best of all possible research departments, but it does have some of the most conscientious people I have ever had the pleasure to work with. And we will all welcome any suggestions you may have for making this department a better, more effective part of SRC's operations. Welcome aboard!

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INTEROFFICE MEMO

Date July 9, 1963

To: Henry Clark (cc: LWD) From: Paul Anthony

Subject: Department of Field Activities

This department consists of the regular field program, the women's work directed by Mrs. Tilly, and the Southern Leadership Project. Each is commented on separately.

1. Regular field programs. In 1953-54 SRC began establishing staffed councils on human relations in each of the southern states. Directors were chosen by SRC and their salaries and operating expenses paid by SRC. A new staff position was created largely to assist and service these state councils toward the goal of becoming independent, self-supporting agencies by the end of 1957. In 1954 Fred Routh was hired to fill this position and was, in effect, the first director of field activities.

By 1957 it was evident that none of the state councils were near the goal of self-support and none could continue without further SRC support. (Indeed, during the period 1953-57 attention was centered on program exclusively and no attention was given by SRC or the state councils ~~on~~ to moving toward the goal of significant local support.) In November 1957 the councils became independent agencies as planned but with the assurance that SRC would continue

significant financial support. A grants-in-aid program expending approximately $50,000 a year was established and continues.

In July, 1959, Paul Rilling became the second director of field activities with a more formal departmental structure than had previously existed. Prior to coming to SRC Paul had been the very capable director of the Virginia Council and his skills and interests were especially appropriate for that portion of the job dealing with state councils.

In December, 1962, I became the third "field director" with a further effort made at defining and establishing the formal responsibilities of the field department. Essentially these responsibilities are to continue the servicing and support roles with the state councils and to be generally concerned with the Council's "field" interests. Ideally, each of these broad areas would receive about one-half of the time and attention of the department.

a. Work with state councils. In direct contradiction to the paper planning which preceded the effort, each of the state councils was encouraged to become "foundation support" oriented--with special emphasis given to the necessity of SRC support. In some instances councils were actively discouraged from developing potential grass root strength in membership. The results of this are still evident. After nine years no state council is capable of continuing its program without SRC support. (However, one--Virginia--is nearing a position of self support and, hopefully, several others will reach that position within the next year.) So too, membership in the state councils is disappointingly small; less than 6,000 south-wide at the end of 1962.

It is essential that special emphasis be given these areas. SRC has no assurance of being able to continue the grants-in-aid program beyond 1964 and the possibility of this--or of a greatly curtailed grants-in-aid program--must be considered. Further, the lack of growth

in local support and membership is a particular criticism of the foundations providing funds for the grants-in-aid program. Therefore, our performance in these areas in the immediate future may determine the future of the grants for these purposes.

Informally, I have set a goal of a 40% increase in membership (to approximately 8,000) by the end of the year. This figure would still be disappointingly small but the effect of this increase--and the lessons learned--~~b~~ may possibly allow for a greater percentage increase next year. If, by that time, considerable growth in membership and local support has not been achieved it will be necessary to review the entire structure,potentials, and objectives of the state council operation.

This concentration on specific growth represents, in my opinion, the most important objective of the field department in our work with state ~~cuncil~~ councils. In addition, however, attention must also be given to the programs of these organizations, especially as they relate to the rapidly changing situation in the region. Related to this is the matter of staff for these groups. A state ~~cun~~ council director must be a particularly talented person in a number of fields. The psychology which many of the councils have promoted--a small band of good people hiring dedicated people at low ~~salare/sl~~ salaries--has not been a conspicuous success. It will be a slow process, but this too must be changed as rapidly as possible.

The idea that all of this can be accomplished by one person devoting one-half of his time ~~ti~~ to it is questionable. A slight increase in field contingency funds might help. Certainly, a modest increase in travel funds would. More staff is out of the question at this time.

b. SRC field programs. Much of this section will be discussed under the heading of the Southern Leadership Program since our more creative work is, hopefully, being developed under that project. There are, however, certain specific program responsibilities including:

(1) work formally and informally with other agencies. The Council has served as secretariat of the Southern Interagency Conference since the beginning of that group. (Will discuss SIC with you, it's too complicated to describe in writing.) Field department performs that function, represents SRC at the quarterly meetings, and maintains an active relationship with many of the agencies involved. The formal and informal relationships maintained are largely a "staff to staff" matter. LWD maintains the summit liaison as is appropriate--and inevitable--among bureauracies.

(2) A relatively minor, but significant, part of the field work is a portion of our relationship with the press. We share in discussions and briefings and when traveling, especially in tension situations, try to maintain a close contact with these people, to be helpful to them.

(3) With some good but unique exceptions we do little in creating other meaningful field programs. In the over-all survey of the Council's work and needs you might particularly consider this. I see no way this area can be strengthened at present but this may be a major weakness.

2. Work with Women. This program has become one which provides Mrs. Tilly with a base of operation, and complete freedom of operation. The one formal program annually is a conference, "The Fellowship of the Concerned." Your recommendations will be greatly appreciated.

3. Southern Leadership Project. Several formal programs are

(a) conducted under this project. Benjamin Muse is writing a ~~history~~ history of the decade since the court decision of 1954; $10,000 is provided the National Council of Churches to enable Elbert Jeans to work out of the NCC office in Nashville on ~~a~~ a program concerned primarily (b) with rural ministers; "L" reports and other publications are prepared (c) and sent ~~pri~~ periodically to ~~south~~ southern leaders; we have helped (d) and probably will give additional modest assistance to ~~Fried~~ Friendly World Broadcasting for a series of ~~radit~~ radio programs. Detailed information is available about each of these programs.

For some years we have maintained, under one name or another, (e) a consultant service program. This is being continued under the S.L.P., with major emphasis on helping (and quietly encouraging the formation of) local community preparation groups. Separately, I am preparing a report for LWD on our recent efforts in Mobile. We will share a copy of this with you since it is indicative of what we are trying to do, and is by far our best effort to date. (In fact, I despair of ever being able to achieve another "Mobile.")

Ct: Here again our problem is one of time. (There is no concern for funds other than normal prudence.) It takes a great deal of time in any given community to advise, nudge along, create opportunities for help, especially to get a sense of trust from the people whom you want to help. There is a possibility I will yet strike one of our "consultants" who can do much of this initial development. This is my hope, ~~thought~~ though I am not optimistic.

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In summary: the field department will particularly welcome your evaluation and opinions. Like much of the Council, but perhaps more so, we have sort of just grown; reflecting more of the interests of the moment and of the person in charge than a deliberate policy. A good

case could be made for more staff, but I am particularly reluctant to pursue this matter, for both budgetary and program reasons.

Hopefully, we can ~~g~~ fill in this sketchy outline with much conversation.

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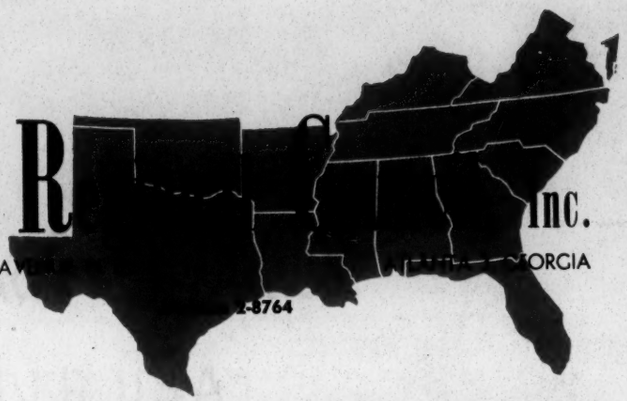

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INTEROFFICE MEMO

Date July 15, 1963

To: RHA

From: VEJ,Jr.

Subject: Henry Clark -- Salary

Henry Clark , Special SRC Consultant from July 1 to September 1, is to be paid at the rate of $7,200.00 per year, beginning with the July 1st pay period.

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Assistant to the
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MEMORANDUM July 22, 1963

To: Executive Directors of State Councils on Human Relations

From: Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director

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At the Annual Meeting of last November, the SRC staff announced plans for an evaluative review of program activities. The President and the Chairman of the Executive Committee appointed nine Council members to serve as advisers to the staff, and asked that a report of the findings and recommendations resulting from this study be made at the Annual Meeting.

We are now in the process of reviewing the operations of the Council. Helping us is Henry B. Clark, a North Carolinian now teaching Social Ethics at Union Theological Seminary.

We also need your help. We invite and urge you to share with us any criticisms or suggestions regarding the work of the SRC which occur to you as you reflect upon the challenge of recent developments in the South and the response of the Council to them. Your frank comments, specific or general, brief or in considerable detail, will be of great assistance to us. We are particularly interested in your opinions concerning new programs or new emphases you would like to see adopted. Please try to get them to us no later than AUGUST 15th.

Memorandum - 2.
To: State Executive Directors
July 22, 1963

I apologize for not writing sooner, but I'm sure you understand how overwhelmed we (as you) have been during the past few weeks. I look forward to hearing from you.

Same ltr. sent to: Dr. Dent, Mrs. Hamilton, Dr. R. Wheeler, Mr. Davidson, Mr. Gomillion, Mr. Secrest, Rev. K.M.Smith, Rev. Beckwith, and Mrs. White.

Cr. ref. —> Also: to State Directors (with minor changes)

Board: Prog. Review + Eval

July 22, 1963

Dr. Albert W. Dent
President
Dillard University
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Dr. Dent:

As you doubtless remember, you were appointed one of the advisers to the staff in the self-evaluation study in process this year, which must be reported at the Annual Meeting in November.

You will be interested to know that we have helping us Henry B. Clark, a North Carolinian now on the faculty of Union Theological Seminary. Dr. Clark is preparing a preliminary review of SRC program activities which will serve as a springboard for discussion with you, and this document will be mailed to you as soon as it is completed.

In the meantime, we invite and urge you to write between now and August 10th to Dr. Clark, in care of the SRC office. It would be most useful to have, while we are preparing our draft review, your frank criticisms of present SRC programs, suggestions for new programs or new program emphases, or, in fact, any ideas you have in mind.

The staff's draft review will be mailed to you not later than August 23rd. We are herewith requesting you to meet with the staff in Atlanta on Thursday, August 29th for an all-day meeting, beginning at 10:00 a.m. I know that we can count on you to read the draft carefully and come prepared to criticize its recommendations in detail and with candor. Our aim is to have a report,

representing the views of the staff and you, its advisers, ready for submission to the Executive Committee at its September meeting.

We will be glad to make reservations for you in Atlanta according to your instructions. The Council will take care of all travel expenses and we can send you a check in advance if you request it.

Sincerely yours,

Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director

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Memo from **LESLIE W. DUNBAR**

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July 24, 1963

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar
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Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Les:

I have just received your memorandum concerning the evaluation of your program activities. I think that your resource material which is continually being fed to the American press is excellent and I would like to see this service not only continued but enlarged if funds could be available. I would be most interested in the formation of resource teams to visit communities for "popular" institutes on race relations. The idea being that we would reach more persons than the more professional groups that we usually meet when teams have visited communities. This idea has come about through my work with the chairman of a so-called "secret" interracial committee hear in Roanoke in which I was able to have Mr. Shinert of the Virginia Council to consult with them. I believe that anything SRC can do to reach out to the wider populations of communities to guide right thinking in race relations would be a big help. This idea might have an appeal to some foundations.

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I trust all is going well with you. I look forward to seeing you in November.

Sincerely,

Carroll Brooke

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July 25, 1963

Dr. Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director
SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia'

Dear Dr. Dunbar:

I have your letter of July 22, reminding me of my membership on the Evaluation Committee of the Southern Regional Council, and inviting me to present a statement to Dr. Henry B. Clark by August 10. This I shall endeavor to do.

I shall place on my calendar the date of the meeting of the Committee with the staff in Atlanta on Thursday, August 29, and I shall endeavor to be present for this meeting.

Sincerely yours,

C. G. Gomillion

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July 25, 1963

Dr. Leslie W. Dunbar, Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Dr. Dunbar:

In reference to your memorandum to Executive Directors on July 22, I would suggest:

1. Expanding the staff of the Field Activities. Mr. Paul Anthony has been of great service to the Alabama Council on Human Relations, and we expect to call upon him for further assistance this fall. He has spent considerable time in Huntsville and Mobile. In this strange world of many paradoxes, there are situations when a person from Southern Regional Council is more acceptable to local people than the State Director of the Alabama Council on Human Relations. This generalization is certainly true in respect to the work Mr. Anthony has done in Huntsville and Mobile to help prepare for peaceful desegregation of public schools. The further factor in suggesting that the staff of the Field Activities Department be increased is tha t there is continuing to be less and less "fear" of outsiders amongst responsible white community leaders in our state.

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2. Expanding the work of the Leadership Recruitment Program in Alabama and Mississippi, and other deep South states.

3. Continue the many publications, such as, "New South", "L Reports", and special reports.

Sincerely,

Norman C. Jimerson

Norman C. Jimerson (Rev.)
Executive Director

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July 26, 1963

Mr. Leslie Dunbar
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Les,

In answer to your July 22 memo. We offer the following suggestions:

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1. We need more help in times of crisis, particularly legal advice.

2. More help in teaching me to keep which records where. I never have the knowledge I need at my finger tips in the various program areas.

3. Help in publishing materials, what to send to whom. We are not using the printed word as we should. No time to write, no money to publish etc.

4. Help with techniques for local leaders, both written and workshop, organizational techniques and program techniques. I guess its just - Help! Help! Help! Maybe the real secret is wishing some one would do my job for me. But I don't, really. I like my job (most of the time).

5. Of course, more money.

Sorry not to give this more time but I'm off for vacation. (It's a boy). My address will be: % Dr. James Beittel 1913 Oregon Pike - Apt. 11-D Lancaster, Pa.

Sincerely yours,

Frances

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July 29, 1963

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Dunbar:

In response to your recent letter of July 22 asking for Rev. Smith's frank criticisms or opinions of SRC programs, this is to inform you that at the present he is out of the city and will not be in the office until Monday, August 5. Your letter will be given to him upon his arrival.

Yours sincerely,

Alfreida A. Blackwell

Alfreida A. Blackwell, Secretary
to Rev. Kelly Miller Smith

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July 29, 1963

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Les:

I am committed to a Congregational Church meeting on August 28 and 29. The meeting is in Connecticut. Sometimes there is a possibility of completing a meeting in one day. If this turns out to be the case, I will come down to Atlanta for the SRC meeting on August 29.

If you will send to me the staff's draft review, I will read it and get in back to you with my comments by the time of the 29th meeting.

Sincerely yours,

A. W. Dent
President

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Dr. Leslie W. Dunbar, Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.,
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Dr. Dunbar:

This follows your memorandum of July twenty-second.

There is a feeling on this end that I do not know enough about the inner workings of the Southern Regional Council to make any recommendations that might be worthy. However, as soon as I "get my feet wet" in SRC, you will be hearing from me.

Do accept good wishes.

Cordially,

J. Rupert Picott

Executive Secretary

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Dr. Leslie Dunbar
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Leslie:

I have your memo of the 22nd and I have read again your Annual Report for 1962.

As for the overall program of SRC, I have no comment except to say that it is impressive to me and I would recommend that it be continued along the same lines.

Paul Anthony has been doing a better job than has been done before in keeping the State Councils informed as to what is going on at SRC and what significant events are taking place elsewhere. I hope that this job of communication, information and interpretation will be continued and improved.

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Sincerely,

Harry

Harry S. Jones
Executive Secretary

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August 1, 1963

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Les:

Your letter of July 22, 1963, received. There are so many good things which the Council does, as well as a few I would consider unique, I hardly know what suggestions or criticisms one could make.

However, in response to your invitation, I will state at the outset, the Council serves, or rather functions, best where the need is greatest in the South -- toward communication between persons and units of enlightened motivation thus bringing about better understanding, one with another.

This has been accomplished, to a high degree, if not better than any other national or regional association or agency including those with governmental status, through the development of a sound research department; a responsible and well-informed counseling service; and widespread distribution of pamphlets, articles, books and the official organ -- New South -- all of which tend to focus attention on problems as well as solutions to human relations affairs within the 11-state region covered by the Council.

This writer has relied heavily on factual material made available through records, statistics and research, from the Council in various fields such as education, employment, use of public facilities, municipal and state utilization of Negro manpower, etc., as our most accurate resource available and generally accepted as reliable pertaining to this region of the country.

In truth, I have no criticisms or suggestions regarding the work of SRC under the present tax-exempt status. However, if that day comes, it would be well if such an association of persons of stature and depth as we have in SRC were allowed to assert themselves as ambassadors of goodwill through various media with equal coverage and vigor as the Southern politicians and prophets of disunity.

Thank you for the invitation to comment on the Council.

Sincerely,

James E. Stewart

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August 4, 1963

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director
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Dear Leslie:

It would seem to me, as I'm sure it dees to the restof the Council members, that the course of history is pretty well determining the future shape of SRC.

Since the nation has come to realize that segregation is not essentially a Southern problem but involves every community which has a minority group, it strikes me that SRC is emerging as a reflective, well-grounded force with a two-pronged obligation: one, to expand its program possibly to include the North in cases where its long experience can prove helpful, and second not only to combat prejudice and irresponsibility in the South but to reflect the gathering momentum and influence of the concerned within the hard-core states.

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Wha dat?

These are undoubtedly policies which are already being put into action. The question came up in connection with the offer of an award in the field of human relations. This seemed to me an opportunity to point up the national scope of the problem, and that it should embrace Northerners who came up with solutions.

I'm sure many openings are presenting themselves in which SRC's excellent record for responsibile leadership makes it an inevitable resoufce for consultation and direction.

Best wishes to you and the staff!

Cordially,

Dorcas

August 6, 1963

The Rev. Mr. Hubert Beckwith
Congregational Christian Church
of Fairfax County
P. O. Box 288
Annandale, Virginia

Dear Mr. Beckwith:

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Cordially yours,

Henry Clark, Consultant
SRC Self-Evaluation Project

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On Little River Turnpike (Rt. 236) 2 1/4 Miles West of Annandale

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HC

Rte 2, Box 85
Orleans, Vermont

Dear Les & Henry Clark:-

My deepest apologies for not answering the 1st letter sooner - a combination of being away & not knowing plans slowed reply.

I will not be able to make any trip to Atlanta before Labor Day (or during that week). I feel very badly about it, as I hope to do what I can. Had assumed, when asked, this would probably be late spring or early summer. If it is after that (Sept-1st wk), I will do my best, though it is a tremendously busy period after vacation & period of graduate summer school!

Sorry,
"Beck"

August 6, 1963

Mr. Herbert M. Davidson
Daytona Beach News-Journal
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mr. Davidson:

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Mrs. Charles White
2209 Southmore Blvd.
Houston 4, Texas

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1900 Brunswick Avenue
Charlotte, North Carolina

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Cordially yours,

Henry Clark, Consultant
SRC Self-Evaluation Project

HC:mm

August 6, 1963

Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton
582 University Place, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia

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SRC Self-Evaluation Project

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A Council to attain the ideals and practices of equal opportunity for all peoples in the South

August 6, 1963

Mr. A. M. Secrest
Editor
The Cheraw Chronicle
Cheraw, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Secrest:

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Cordially yours,

Henry Clark

Henry Clark, Consultant
SRC Self-Evaluation Project

HC:mm

Dear Mr. Clark,
Mr. Secrest is on vacation - has gone to California and other points. We expect him back around Aug. 24. The above mentioned letter is probably in his unopened mail since he left here July 18.
Ada G. Thompson
Bookkeeper + Sec.

The News-Journal Corp.
128 Orange Avenue
Daytona Beach, Florida

Aug. 7, 1963

Dear Mr. Dunbar:

Re your July 22 letter to Mr. Davidson. He and Mrs. Davidson are on vacation and not due back in Daytona Beach until Aug. 18 or thereabouts. I'M sure he will contact you as soon as he can.

Sincerely,

Nan Brennan

(Mrs.) Nan Brennan
Secy. to Mr. Davidson

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Aug. 7, 1963

Mr. Henry Clark
Consultant SRC Self-Evaluation Project
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Clark:

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Sincerely,

Nan Brennan

(Mrs.) Nan Brennan
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MRS. CHARLES E. WHITE

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HOUSTON 4, TEXAS

August 11, 1963

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar, Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Dunbar:

Please forgive my delay in answering your letter of July 22, 1963 in relation to the meeting for the advisors to the staff in the self-evaluation study on August 29, 1963.

I do plan to attend the meeting. Reservations have been made for Eastern Flight #302 leaving Houston at I:00P.M. and arriving in Atlanta at 3:41 P.M. on Wednesday, August 28 and for return to Houston on Delta Flight #923 leaving Atlanta at 8:25 P.M. on Thursday, August 29, 1963. Should the return schedule conflict with plans for the meeting, I can change it to a later evening flight or to one on the following day.

I have no preference for over-night accommodations. You may make reservations convenient to the meeting place or as you prefer with knowledge of Atlanta's offering.

A check in advance for travel expenses is not necessary. However, I have wondered about a slip for tax exemption on the flight ticket. The cost of the round-trip ticket is $102.58 of which $4.88 is tax. "Better Tours and Travel" of Houston is arranging the reservations.

Unless there is further notice, I shall look forward to the meeting on August 29, assuring you of an abiding interest that the Southern Regional Council will continue as an efficient and effective organization, serving a great need in our time.

Sincerely yours,

Hattie Mae White

Mrs. Charles E. White

cc: Mr. Henry Clark, Consultant
SRC Self-Evaluation Project

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RAYMOND M. WHEELER, M.D.

August 6, 1963

Mr. Henry Clark
Southern Regional Council , Inc.
5 Forsythe Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Clark:

My failure to answer Les Dunbar's letter was due to misunderstanding on my part. I did not realize that he desired an opinion as to the desirability of August 29th. I plan to be there on that date unless you hear to the contrary.

Sincerely yours,

RMWheeler

Raymond M. Wheeler, M. D.

RMW/ac

for Mildred

Tuskegee Institute

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ALABAMA

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

- file w/ correspondence re Self-Eval Study

August 14, 1963

Dr. Henry B. Clark
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Dr. Clark:

At the suggestion of Dr. Leslie W. Dunbar, I am writing this letter which will reveal my appraisal of the work which has been done by the officials and the staff of the Southern Regional Council. Because I have been wholeheartedly in accord with the program and with the services which have been rendered by these persons, I am of the opinion that my letter will be of little help to you.

As I have moved around in most of the Southern States and have associated with and listened to officials, staff workers, and members of the Human Relations Councils of the several states; as I have seen and heard Southern Regional Council officials and staff workers speaking and counseling; as I have read the literature produced and distributed by the Council; and as I observed and listened to many who have been influenced by Council officials, staff workers, and/or literature, I have concluded that the Council's program of civic education (the education of citizens, community leaders, and government officials as to their civic responsibilities, opportunities, and behavior) has been, and is, an effective one. In my opinion, the Southern Regional Council is contributing significantly to the development of better civic understanding and more personal responsibility for civic reconstruction in the South.

The services which Southern Regional Council officials and staff workers have rendered to officials, staff, and members of state and local councils through their speeches, advice, and literature have encouraged, enlightened, and occasionally comforted them. They have facilitated interracial meetings and interracial cooperation on projects of mutual interest in many places in the South. In some places, they have assisted in the planning, execution, and evaluation of community self-studies.

Not only have services been rendered to affiliates of the Southern Regional Council, officers and staff members have appeared as speakers and consultants for other organizations. These appearances have often been the first opportunity for many persons in the audiences to hear Southern whites define democracy and equality of opportunity, state why such ought to exist, and describe how they can be sought and developed.

The editorials, the articles, and the notes in the New South have been very informative and inspirational. New South has been widely used by students and teachers, as well as by journalists and some government officials. Some clergymen have been helped by this periodical.

The special publications, also, have been very useful, especially to students, scholars, and community leaders, and some governmental officials. The Federal Executive and Civil Rights was, in my opinion, very helpful to President Kennedy and many of his associates in government. Also useful have been the reprints of speeches, articles, and news items which have been circulated by the Council.

The supervision and direction of the Voter Education Project have facilitated the active involvement of many persons who, in my opinion, would not otherwise have worked for or contributed to voter education and action. This project has stimulated many Negroes to believe that there are whites in the South who will help them to prepare for more effective participation in government and politics.

During the past eighteen years, I have listened to many foreigners who had visited the office in Atlanta, or who were on their way there. Those who had already visited the office spoke of how much they had been helped by the visits, and those who were on their way believed that they would be benefited. These courtesies and services to citizens from foreign lands, in my opinion, have benefited the foreigners and us.

At the present time I cannot suggest any significant innovation. I am of the opinion that the officers, publications and field staff should continue to work as effectively as possible to enlighten public officials and other "opinion-makers" (editors, clergymen, authors, community leaders, et al), and to give the officials and staff workers in the state and local councils of human relations as much assistance as circumstances will permit.

Sincerely yours,

C. G. Gomillion

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August 14, 1963

Colonel Benjamin Muse
P. O. Box 312
Manassas, Virginia

Dear Colonel Muse:

Even though you will not be here for the meeting in which my report will be discussed, Les wanted you to see a copy of it. This is just a draft, and it will doubtless be extensively revised as a result of our discussion; nevertheless, he asked me to send you the preliminary document. If you have time to give us your reactions to it within the next ten days or so, we would be very appreciative, and I'm sure that the final version would benefit from your counsel. But we realize that you have more important fish to fry just now, and you should feel no obligation whatsoever to send us your comments.

It was certainly a pleasure to see you and Mrs. Muse again three weeks ago. The next time we visit Nancy's parents in Winchester, I'll like to come over and see you. In the meantime, we

send our best regards and our hope that putting the final touches on your manuscript will present no difficulties. I feel sure that this book will be a very important one, and I look forward to reading it.

Cordially yours,

Henry Clark
Consultant
SRC Self-Evaluation Project

HC/mmj
Enclosure - 1.

FLORIDA COUNCIL ON HUMAN RELATIONS

356 SOUTH BEACH STREET
DAYTONA BEACH, FLORIDA

TELEPHONE
255-5881

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August 15, 1963

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Leslie:

I have pondered your questions of the July 22 letter concerning evaluation of SRC program activities, and after the extensive experience of less than two months I feel rather incompetent to respond.

However, I throw one general item to you which I feel is lacking. That is, SRC needs a bit more promotion. Many key figures in Florida (and this was also true in Alabama) have never heard of SRC, yet the quality of reports, studies, etc. ought to be part of the knowledge of city governments, clergyman, and decision-making persons.

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With best wishes, I remain

Yours sincerely,

Louis L. Mitchell, Jr.,
Executive Director

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Box 1192
Auburn, Alabama
August 15, 1963

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AUG 16 1963

Dr. Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Les:

I thought your letter to Governor Wallace was excellent.

In reply to your memo of July 22, here are some comments:

(1) I highly approve of the drive to secure more voter registrations, the project conducted by Mr. Wiley Blanton.

(2) I think that S.R.C. does an outstanding research and preparation job on the informative pamphlets and brochures we periodically publish. I know that these publications take a lot of money. I suggest that you take a very hard look at where these publications are being sent. We want them to be read by influential people and not end up in trash cans. People and groups that should receive some of your publications are outstanding journalists, religious organizations at colleges and universities like the Weslyan Foundation, Westminster Fellowship, etc., and university libraries.

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I saw the two column story in Time last night on the psychiatrists' study in the south.

Cordially,

Nat

Nat Welch

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H. Clark

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AUG 22 1963

Teens Told Costs High For Prejudice

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The conference is being attended by 186 teen-agers.

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AUG 21 1963

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Dr. Clark made his remarks Tuesday when he appeared on a panel discussion entitled "Prejudice as it affects the minority and majority." Also appearing on the panel were M. Carl Holman, information office of the Civil Rights Commission in Washington, and Rabbi Joseph Asher of Greensboro.

VERMONT AMERICAN CORPORATION

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August 22, 1963

Thomas

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Dunbar:

I am sorry to have missed your deadline in answering your letter of July 22, but I have been traveling.

In general I admire your approach to the crisis at hand. I am concerned for two disquieting possibilities:

1. The breakdown of the non-violent discipline in Negro ranks that is appearing in isolated cases lest they spread.

2. The inter-organizational squabbling among NAACP, CORE, and other interested and dedicated groups.

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What, if anything, the Southern Regional Council can do constructively about these problems within its framework, I do not know.

Sorry to be late with this but I have nothing very new to offer anyway.

Very truly yours,

Lee B. Thomas, jr

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BENJAMIN MUSE
POST OFFICE BOX 312
MANASSAS, VIRGINIA

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August 22, 1963

Mr. Henry Clark
Consultant
SRC Self-Evaluation Project
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Room 201, 5 Forsyth St., N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Henry:

Thanks for the draft of your report, which shows a remarkable grasp of the SRC and its mission. As you indicated, I am too heavily burdened at this point to give your draft the careful study it deserves, but the subject interests me greatly and I shall offer a few hurried and half-baked observations.

"Middle class" and "elites" bother me a little.

(1) ~~Page 2:~~-- The name, "Southern Regional Council" suggests a broader field than race, but we are, in fact, concerned exclusively with the race problem. In the past four months that has become emphatically a national problem. I see a crying need for an organization performing the function that we perform in the South nation-wide -- an organization of dignity and responsibility, respected for the thoroughness and accuracy of its information, not engaging in demonstrations, avoiding polemic, but speaking in measured tones and providing the "propaganda of facts." It is probably out of the question, but it is a nice dream.

(2) ~~Page 6:~~ -- Availability for mediation suggests a middle-of-the-road position, which we do not occupy. I think we are generally considered more conservative than SNCC or SCLC, but the more acceptable our good offices would be to whites the more we would be distrusted by Negroes. A white SRC representative in friendly conversation with white leaders can help break down resistance, but I am afraid his efforts to alter the plans of Negro leaders would lead to friction. They feel that we are on their side, and we are.

(3) Page 9: -- Newspaper editors are the easiest people for an itinerant consultant to see, and I believe he can accomplish most in this field. Nearly all of them are eager to discuss the race problem. It would not be a waste of funds to employ a

personable veteran editor -- there is a certain fraternal spirit among editors -- to expand this activity and give all his time to it.

(4) Page 9, c: -- The matter of selective and constantly revised mailing lists is of the utmost importance. We would be justified in assigning a staff member to give a great deal of time to this.

(5) Page 13, 1): -- I think coaching Negro protest leaders had better be left to other organizations.

(6) Page 17, a: -- I would place greater emphasis on HRC membership. I have a queer notion about HRCs. I do not think they should be exclusively devoted to heavy thinking and earnest endeavor. I would like to see them have some of the aspects of a "fun" activity (to use a horrible expression). Make interracial association smart, popular and "the thing to do." I don't think those who joined HRCs just to mingle and break bread with members of the other race would lessen the accomplishment of the dedicated nucleus. And the recommendation of an organization of 5,000 or 10,000 members would carry more weight than those of a 1,000-member group.

There may be some helpful thought in the foregoing, but your paper is admirable. We shall definitely expect to see you and your lady here at some early date. Please phone us -- EM 8-3517.

Sincerely yours,

Ben Muse

October 24, 1963

Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton
582 University Place
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Grace:

Enclosed is a copy of a letter received from Al Dent. The staff will try to get a revised draft of the report to you early next month. I would suggest that we play it by ear from then on.

All the best.

Sincerely yours,

Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director

LWD/mmj
Enclosure - 1.
cc: Dr. Albert W. Dent

October 24, 1963

Dr. Raymond Wheeler
1900 Brunswick Avenue
Charlotte, North Carolina

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DILLARD UNIVERSITY
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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

October 23, 1963

Dr. Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Les:

I think our committee can handle any desirable revision in the program probably either by mail or by telephone. If you will have a copy of the revised paper sent to me when it is ready, I will either write or telephone any reactions to you. If it is thought desirable to have a meeting of the committee, I could meet on the evening preceding our Annual Meeting. However, my present thinking is that this is likely to be unnecessary.

Sincerely yours,

Al

A. W. Dent
President

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MEMBER UNITED NEGRO COLLEGE FUND FOUNDED 1944

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NEW ORLEANS 22, LOUISIANA

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

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October 11, 1963

Dr. Leslie W. Dunbar
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Doctor Dunbar:

Your letter dated October 3 has been received in Dr. Dent's absence. He is in Israel and is expected to return around October 20. Your letter will be placed in his correspondence folder for him to see upon his return to the office.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Doris B. Bell

Secretary to the
President

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[illegible] you, and Ray, late this month or early next month, a revised paper. We would do this in time for you to get comments back and forth and circulated among each other. If it turned out that any meeting were necessary, perhaps that could be done the night before or the morning of the Executive Committee. How does this sound?

All the best.

Sincerely yours,

Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director

LWD/mmj
cc: Mrs. Grace Hamilton
Dr. Raymond Wheeler

October 3, 1963

Dr. Albert W. Dent
President
Dillard University
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Al:

After getting your letter of September 26 I talked with Ray Wheeler. It happens that I cannot make a meeting on November 6, 7, or 8, and Ray and I were finding difficulty in getting an agreeable date. He suggested that we try to do this by mail supplemented, if necessary, by telephone. This seems to me like a good idea.

If agreeable to you and Grace, the staff would get to Grace, you, and Ray, late this month or early next month, a revised paper. We would do this in time for you to get comments back and forth and circulated among each other. If it turned out that any meeting were necessary, perhaps that could be done the night before or the morning of the Executive Committee. How does this sound?

All the best.

Sincerely yours,

Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director

LWD/mmj
cc: Mrs. Grace Hamilton
Dr. Raymond Wheeler

DILLARD UNIVERSITY

NEW ORLEANS 22, LOUISIANA

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

September 26, 1963

Dr. Leslie Dunbar
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Les:

I told you Tuesday that I would be free to attend a committee meeting to review and evaluate SRC program on Saturday, November 2. At the time I thought that we would finish by Friday night a Ford Foundation seminar to which we are serving as host, but I now find that the meeting goes through Saturday afternoon. If you could find another satisfactory date for this meeting, I am free from November 4 through November 16. However, if November 2 seems to be the best date for all others, I could write or telephone you my thinking.

Sincerely yours,

A. W. Dent
President

AWD:db

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call Grace Hamilton - Sat. Nov 9

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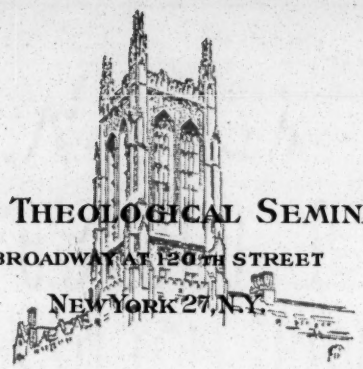

UNION THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY
BROADWAY AT 120TH STREET
NEW YORK 27, N.Y.

October 27, 1963

Dear Les,

Sorry I missed you when you were in NYC a few weeks ago. I kept hoping you would favor me with a letter after the phone call failed, but I know that you have had a typically busy fall. I do look forward to seeing you at the Annual Meeting, and I trust that you are still planning to let me come. By the way, you never sent me a copy of the final, edited, expurgated, emasculated, civilized version of my report. Was it so far away from what I wrote that you wanted to spare my feelings by not letting me see it?!

We are happily settled at Union, and I could very well see myself spending the rest of my life in similar surroundings. But I also cannot forget the SRC and how deeply I thought the same thing there this summer. Two recent events have made me think more strongly than ever about the SRC. One was a talk by Jim Farmer, which made me think, "Gee, why am I denying myself the thrill of being in on this great moment in history? I could be right there in the heart of it, living it. How silly to forego that opportunity just to have free summers and an easier pace. When did I ever want an easy pace, and when were my summers ever free, anyhow?" The other was Nancy's reaction to one of my classes. She was so upset she cried, because she had the feeling that I would not be happy very long teaching, or teaching here. She said I was dead, and that I looked twenty years older than I did this summer, when I was, she thinks, happier than she's ever seen me. Hm-m-m-m. I still don't know what could be done about that two-year commitment to Union, which I tend to regard as morally if not legally binding (unless they agree to my departure -- which they probably would), and I am in fact still not ready to choose. But I am getting readier and readier, and I want to know if you can give me a more definite idea of the kind of job you would want me to do, the salary, the fringe considerations (medical insurance plan? pension plan? vacation? etc.), when you would want me to come to work, and so on.

There. That is one step closer. How will the water feel if I dip my toe in it?

I hope that all goes well with the SRC and all of you there. I have really missed various ones of you very much. It's an extraordinarily good crew. Please give everyone my best regards, and greetings also to Peggy.

Cordially,

Henry

Line
Staff - J. Clark

October 28, 1963

Mr. Henry Clark
99 Claremont Avenue, #421
New York, New York

Dear Henry:

Les has asked me to drop you this note, and to send you the enclosed program for the Annual Meeting. The dates, as you will see, are November 25-26. We all would like very much to see you again, and hope you will use the Annual Meeting as an excuse for us to do so. If you plan to come, let us know so that we can make a hotel reservation for you.

The meetings will all be held at the Howard Johnson's South Motel, and members will be housed there. If you have no other preference, we will be glad to reserve a room there for you too. Let us know if it will be single or double.

Hope you and the family are well.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Mildred M. Johnson
Secretary to the Director

MMJ
Enclosure - 1. (Agenda)

P. S. As Les has told you, the Council will take care of your travel expenses.

MMJ

Same letter, and enclosure, mailed to

Mrs. Grace Hamilton, and Dr. Raymond Wheeler

November 5, 1963

Dr. Albert W. Dent
President
Dillard University
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Dr. Dent:

Enclosed herewith please find the Program Review and Evaluation, revised consistent with the suggestions of the Executive Committee at its last meeting. We have made every effort to include every suggestion of the Executive Committee with reference to style and content.

We would appreciate at your earliest possible opportunity, your comments, criticisms, approval or disapproval. Please communicate your reaction to us by phone or by letter if convenient.

Your appraisal of this revised copy is needed in order to prepare the final draft in time for mailing prior to the Annual Meeting. Therefore, time is of the essence.

Looking forward to your immediate response, and to seeing you at the Annual Meeting. I am

Sincerely yours,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Assistant to the
Executive Director

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

CHARLOTTE MEDICAL CLINIC
1900 BRUNSWICK AVENUE
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November 8, 1963

Mr. Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsythe Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Vernon:

See

I can find no fault in your revision of the program evaluation report, and you have my approval to submit it in its present form to the Council.

Congratulations on a very good job.

Sincerely yours,

RMWheeler

Raymond M. Wheeler, M.D.

RMW/alv

MJ file

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

November 9, 1963

Mr. Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

file

Dear Mr. Jordan:

I have read the revised statement of program review and evaluation. I think the content of the statement is excellent and I can think of no further revisions to suggest. I also like very much the format.

The brevity of the statement and the concise manner in which it is written should commend itself to full and careful reading by all members of the Council.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

A. W. Dent

A. W. Dent
President

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Nov. 9, 1963

file
Prog Reader

Dr. Leslie W. Dunbar
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Atlanta 3, Ga.

Dear Les,

I received the statement this morning, and am returning it, with what little criticism I have, this afternoon. I like the straightforward presentation, the fearless spirit. I think it's time for it. I can't see any need for radical revision, either of inclusion or of exclusion. You mention responsible politics twice, but I think this is proper. This is the conclusion just before the discussion of the demonstrations, and it is the conclusion of the discussion of the demonstrations. You thus set the demonstrations within the area of responsible politics.

Either I filed your article too thoroughly, or I threw it away along with finished MS. of mine. If you have an extra copy you want to lend me, I shall be happy to read it again, and bring it to you at the annual meeting; or, if you wish, hand me a copy at the annual meeting, and I will look over it again and discuss it with you during one of those mythical spare moments.

~~Kindest regards,~~
J. M. Dabbs.
J. M. Dabbs,
President.

P.S. Please ask Guilford to tell me the location of Howard Johnson's South. I have a city map and will come in by Interstate 20.

file

Nov. 27, 1963

Dear Les,

I am hastening to return the $20.00 you were kind enough to loan me. Thanks, and I hope you were not inconvenienced by the depletion of your resources.

It was awfully good to see you again, and our talk was very helpful to me. So was a talk I had with Harold Fleming in Washington yesterday. I believe that I can see the whole thing in better perspective as a result of the trip. If I do decide to join the SRC, it will not be because I am trying to prove something to myself, nor will it be because I have exaggerated ideas about the adventurous life in the Research Dept. It will be because I had decided this is the kind of work I want to do, and these are the kind of people I want to be around, for several years if not necessarily forever. I would know that I was giving up some very nice advantages here (this side of the picture was magnified by a letter I received from Dr Bennett last night, informing me that I had been promoted with a surprisingly large increase in salary, should I choose to stay) -- but I would be coming to a post which I would consider, on the whole, more rewarding in a variety of ways.

So I am going to let it rest for a bit, in the sense that I am going to quit working at the decision so hard. Then, when I feel relaxed some evening, I am going to let my memory instruct me -- my feelings about the SRC office, Atlanta, classes at Union, conferences with students, etc. And I think that I'll soon reach a decision I can live and be happy with.

Please tell everybody on the staff how disappointed I was not to get to see them. Perhaps in January. . . .

Cordially,

Henry

Henry Clark

Sec
"Staff - Henry Clark"

January 2, 1964

Dr. Henry Clark
Union Theological Seminary
Broadway and 120th
New York, New York

Dear Henry:

Would you mind showing the enclosed letter to some appropriate person at Union, and let me know what I can advise Charles?

Sincerely yours,

Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director

LWD/mmj
Enclosure - 1. (Ltr. of 12/13/63 from Charles Sherrod)

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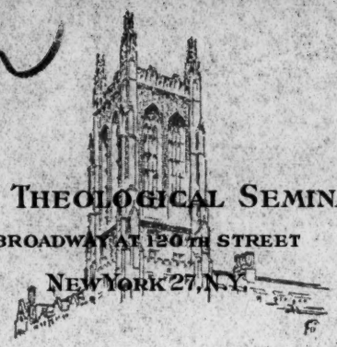
Staff

Henry Aleck



UNION THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY
BROADWAY AT 120TH STREET
NEW YORK 27, N.Y.

Jan. 3, 1964

Dear Les,

Thank you so much for sending me the letter from Charles Sherrod. Jim Laue had written me about the same matter two days previously, and I had presented the matter to Dr. Bennett in an official letter of which I sent Jim a copy. Dr. Bennett (now President Bennett, as you may have heard) was very interested, and we have discussed the matter since the writing of my letter. He felt that some kind of special arrangement would be necessary, and he was afraid the Negro students might resist this because of the aroma of paternalism. The letter from Charles which you sent is therefore a valuable document, because it explicitly states his willingness to enter on a trial basis, indicating real maturity and high motivation. At least that's the way I read it, and that is what I said to Bennett in the covering letter accompanying Charles' letter to you when I routed it to him. So I think you can encourage Charles to expect some communication from Union in the next few days, although the exact terms of the arrangement (or indeed the possibility of it) depend upon Dr. Cyril Richardson, who is director of the graduate program here. Bennett is clearly in favor of admitting such students on trial and giving them special help, but if Richardson demurs, Bennett won't try to twist his arm. I hope I will be invited to meet with the two of them when they get together for a decision on this, and I am of the opinion that this meeting will be held next week and a letter dispatched to Charles at once.

Not meant for anyone's consumption but yours

I am planning to come to the Annual Meeting if I can get out of one class on Wednesday. There is one problem, which I would like to discuss frankly with you. I don't feel that I should take travel money from the SRC twice to attend this meeting -- I should have had sense enough to call before coming to Atlanta in November. But I don't have enough money to come this month without asking you for a travel advance. Would it be possible for me to get the travel advance, and then pay you back over a period of months (finishing in June, I think)? In the moments when I have thought that I would probably decide to stay here for a couple more years, I have thought about not coming to the Annual Meeting at all. But I think I owe it to myself, and perhaps also to you, to come to the meeting and get acquainted with some of the good people who make up the Council. Besides, I <u>want</u> to come! The end of January shapes up as the time when my decision ought to be made, for I am also attending a very important faculty gathering on the 21-22 to discuss the future of the seminary, the role of my department in the mission of the school, etc. The substance and the tone of this gathering ought to help crystallize my estimate of the school and of what life here would be like for me during the next few years. I find that Bennett's election as President exerts a pretty strong emotional pull on me to stay here for awhile, because I have even more of a personal attachment to him than to any of my other former teachers and professional colleagues, and I have almost as much admiration for him as I do for you -- which is saying a lot.

Regards to everyone there, and I hope to see you on the 29th.

Cordially,

Henry

File: Staff - Henry Clark

January 17, 1964

Mr. Henry Clark
99 Claremont Avenue
New York 27, New York

Dear Henry:

I look forward to hearing from you about Sherrod.

We are looking for you at the Annual Meeting. Enclosed is a travel advance of $100.00.

All best wishes.

Sincerely,

Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director

LWD:nm
Enclosure
Ck. $100.00

Note: Clark, Henry
Staff - Move from Staff Section to "C" Section in Staff Files

February 7, 1964

Dr. Henry Clark
Union Theological Seminary
Broadway and 120th Street
New York, New York

Dear Henry:

Well, we are all sorry that you did not make the Annual Meeting. It happens that it was a very good occasion. The attendance was pretty good, and the spirits were lively and the discussions were vigorous. The Program Review and Evaluation was adopted, and there was considerable discussion of it.

A year or so ago I told you that I thought you had made a wrong decision; I still think that you did. For whatever it is worth, however, I think it's quite probable that having made the decision you did in 1962, you are wise now to stick with it. Personally and officially, I was hoping for a different decision on your part, but as a friend, I cannot but think you have probably done the right thing.

Keep in touch with us, and let us both keep in mind the possibility that you might occasionally do a little work for us. Give my best to Nancy, and I'll see you sometime when I am in New York.

Dr. Henry Clark
February 7, 1964

I am enclosing an expense account form in case you don't have one, because Ruth Alexander tells me you never submitted one for your November trip. If you will do that and send back the advance for the January trip, it will clear off all of our bookkeeping problems.

All the best.

Sincerely yours,

Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director

LWD/mmj
Enclosure - 1. (Expense Account Form)

UNION THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY
BROADWAY AT 120TH STREET
NEW YORK 27, N.Y.

January 31, 1964

Dear Les,

Not being able to attend the Annual Meeting was a great disappointment. I didn't realize how much I had looked forward to it until the doctor said it would be the height of foolishness for me to try it and sent me home to bed with orders not to talk or do anything for several days.

While tossing and turning on my mildly fevered bed Wednesday and Thursday I had ample opportunity to think of the fun I was missing by not being there, and I am really put out with the fates that I had to be laid low at just this time. I know you must have had some good parties as well as good inspiration and stimulation in the formal meetings. Please give my regards to all the old friends I didn't get to see -- and as for the new people I didn't get to meet, there is no consolation for that.

Perhaps, though, the fates are kind, for if I had been there it might have unsettled my decision to stick around Union for at least a couple of years more. You said that you thought my ultimate niche would be teaching, but that work with the SRC could be viewed as a contribution to academic capabilities. You were right about that, and your comment to that effect helped me see things in better perspective. But I have decided to play it the other way around: I think my ultimate niche might be in SRC-type work, but two more years here may well be an important contribution to the skills needed in the field. The great challenge of this job, certainly, is to get the students interested in social issues and help them become savvy in dealing with them.

I have put off writing this letter as long as I could, and it is still painful to write it. I'm sorry I couldn't have told you in person rather than by letter. Surely you know how difficult the decision was for me, and how reluctantly I abandon the prospect of working with you and SRC as of next summer. Although I can't expect you to contact me any more, I do not abandon altogether the thought that I may someday work for SRC, or for you. And the next time I contact you, if that occasion should arise, there will be nothing "iffy" about it: I'll be asking for whatever spot you have available, in the Atlanta office or elsewhere.

Best of luck, Les. Working with you last summer was one of the truly fine experiences of my young life, and I hope you'll continue to let me know if there is any way I can be of service to you from this vantage point. And Nancy and I still hope you'll drop in on us one of your next visits to NYC.

Sincerely yours,

Henry

file
Clark, Henry

March 11, 1964

Dr. Henry Clark
Union Theological Seminary
120 and Broadway
New York, New York

Dear Henry:

Charles Sherrod?

All best wishes.

Sincerely yours,

Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director

LWD/mmj

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File - Clark, Henry

July 15, 1965

Dr. Henry Clark
Union Theological Seminary
Broadway at 120th Street
New York, New York

Dear Henry:

I finally finished reading The Christian Case Against Poverty. It is a good book.

You might be interested to know that it stirred up for me some old memories. Many eons ago I did a MA thesis on English attitudes toward poverty in the 17th Century. A lot of discussion swirling around these days reminds me of things said then.

I should have written long ago a great big official-type letter expressing our organizational thanks to you for dedicating the book to us, in part. I did first, however, want to read the book, which is an old failing of mine. Consider this now such a letter.

I hope to be seeing more of you in the future. We ase moving up to the New York

area where, after October 1, I shall be working at the Field Foundation.

All the best.

Sincerely yours,

Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director

LWD/mmj

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July 17, 1965

Dear Les,

My feelings vacillate between desolation and delight. What will the SRC do without you? But I'm so glad you'll be up in this neck of the woods, and I imagine that your taking this post means you will be in a position to exert considerable influence on research and action projects in the era of (beneficent, of course!) foundation imperialism.

Thanks for the kind words about my book. What about the other one? That's the one I really poured a lot of work into. But I shouldn't expect you to read a book with the word "Church" in the title!=

Best regards to everyone there. Who's taking over -- Paul? Give him my congratulations, or give them to whomever they should be given to.

You doubtless have many contacts, but if we can be of assistance in helping you find a place to live, let me know. Will you live in the city? The West Side is interesting, and a good deal cheaper than the East Side, I'm told.

Call me when you get settled, or when you arrive. If you are going to be hiring a staff of assistants to aid you in your endeavors, I might be interested -- and I'm dead serious.

Warmest personal regards,

Henry

New South

Dear Henry,

The "information department," Mary Godwin and I, put out New South and entertain foreign visitors to Atlanta.

We also do a little informing of writers and reporters and other people who come to us or write in to me for information and material because they know me, or as editor of New South. This is not a major chore, for us, though, because most information is passed out in Research, or to newspaper people by Leslie or Paul. So, I make this unimportant suggestion: that we dispense with the rather grand and inaccurate title, Director of Information, for me and Dept. of Information for us.

Like everyone else in the office, we spend a good deal of unscheduled time talking to visitors--friends in the business, students, well-wishers, occasional nuts.

Producing New South involves some manuscript-begging from good writers or writers with something special to say; reading, rejecting, editing and re-writing other stuff that is sent to us; coping with the curious procrastination of book reviewers, and perhaps the biggest share of our letter-writing. I occasionally think up and write a piece myself, and hope to get time for more of this.

Since she came in September, Mary has spent some hours every week on New South subscription list, a 10-or-15 year mess we were charged with straightening out. This chore seemed so insurmountable that in January we hired a helper, and the two girls spent full time on it (except for an occasional interruption for Mary to help with a foreign visitor, read New South proof and paste up our book) until June 15, when the job was handed over to the business office. This is a great relief to us, and should enable us to improve New South and publish it on time, keep up with correspondence and be more prompt and assiduous with other chores.

I think we're handling foreign visitors as well as we can. At any rate, they seem happy and interested in Atlanta,

and we get some nice love letters from some of them. This is a strenuous and extremely interesting job, which I'm not sure we handle with the greatest efficiency and least agony possible. We get up their program, sometimes a week ahead, and sometimes just a day or so. Our people come to see the South and race relations, so we fix their programs to show them civil rights people here, the celebrated Negroes in the Movement, with some sight-seeing and home dinners at night. This home hospitality we arrange according to the visitors' professional interests, just for fun or to expose them to average types of Southerners. All this takes more planning and more damned telephoning than you can imagine, and then sometimes we have to change programs when the people get here. But the main requirement, we think, is personal interest in the visitors, a knowledge of the news hereabouts and of their home countries (and here we're not as sharp as we ought to be) and an endless agility while they're here. Fortunately, our lack in geographical, historical and political lore about the world is somewhat compensated by Miss Godwin's appearance, patience, good manners and stamina, and we think we succeed in showing them what really goes on here and in pleasing them well enough.

I reckon we had about 110 visitors last year, not including some who popped in without notice for just a few hours with us, or a few days' program. They come one at a time, or in groups up to 20, like the school teachers due in August, and stay anywhere from a day to a week or more. We don't try to cope with entertaining anybody for more than a week, and it is seldom expected of us.

We get a lot of suggestions about what New South ought to be, but enough compliments on it to bolster me in my notion that it's unusual and pretty good as it is, and that we we don't have room for much of the substantial, factual coverage of desegregation which some readers would like, for too many how-to-do-it pieces for the local councils or long, important study type of things. I would like to see,

in addition to the essays of literary quality and solid content which we've been able to get, some more stories, or factual accounts of interesting, typical or unusual race problems, situations and personalities. With the time and better organization of our chores that seems likely now, I hope to run more of this sort of story.

Yours,

Margaret Long

PRELIMINARY DRAFT OF THE
REPORT OF THE SRC SELF-EVALUATION CONSULTANT

INTRODUCTION

I had originally intended to preface the section of this report containing recommendations with a fairly elaborate introduction explaining my own limitations, biases and presuppositions. Since the recommendations section is so lengthy, it would be folly to carry out that intention. But I should like to state briefly the principle points I wanted to make:

(1) The very factors which made me so eager to do this job, and which have made me enjoy it so much, limit my ability to perform it capably. I'm just a one-year-out graduate student, and my experience with policy makers and people outside the academy -- especially, in recent years, people in the South -- is practically nil. My common sense may have been corrupted by too much traffic with abstract ideas, lofty ideals and unrealistic professors.

(2) My perspective is also conditioned by my marginal participation in the Movement. I think the burden of proof is on those who say "Don't do this!" or "Not yet!" or "Are you sure?" This factor may, of course, be more of an asset than a liability for someone reviewing the operations of the SRC; at any rate, it is something which should be acknowledged at the outset and taken into account as specific recommendations are considered by the readers of this report.

(3) I begin with the assumption that our enemy is prejudiced behavior more than it is prejudice; furthermore, I am convinced

that the best way to change attitudes is to alter behavioral patterns directly. (And I am prepared to argue this case in great detail on the strength of a widely accepted body of sociological evidence.) Thus I tend to be impatient about programs which do not show results in terms of action, of changed policies, of new rights granted regardless of "acceptance" on the part of whites.

(4) I also assume, on the other hand, that SRC has a distinctive role to play as a clearing house for objective data and as a center for dispassionate analysis. I assume that SRC reaches an audience which will not listen to militant groups, and I think it would be unwise for the SRC to compromise its effectiveness in this role by becoming a direct action agency.

(5) I believe our prime target should be influential elites, or the already committed, rather than a mass public without power or established commitments to integrationist goals. I accept as well a principle expressed by the Director of Field Activities in his first conversation with me, to wit, that the SRC is wise to channel most its limited resources into situations where it appears that just a little extra pressure in the right direction will swing the balance favorably. This implies that the targets we shoot at must be selected carefully, and it fits in with the notion that we should concentrate on elites more than on a mass public.

(6) I am in no position to judge budgetary considerations, and I have made no attempt to censor my recommendations in the

light of costs. I have focused my thinking on what seem to me to be ideal program possibilities; others will have to weed out and realign the priorities I suggest on the basis of practical realities.

(7) My comments are perfectly straightforward. I pay staff the compliment of assuming that every person on it holds the interests of the SRC above his own ego, and I trust you sense that in me. I have pulled no punches, nor have I tried to play it safe, and I don't expect you to, either, in criticizing this report. All that matters is that we should put into the hands of the Executive Committee the most penetrating analysis of Council operations that we are capable of producing collectively. There is still plenty of time to revise this report extensively, so your comments about organization, style and content will be invaluable to me when I prepare the final version.

PRELIMINARY SUMMARY OF RECOMMENDATIONS

A. General Orientation of the SRC.

My talks with journalists, civic leaders, business men, educators, church leaders and other civil rights organizations personnel indicate that the prestige of the SRC is very great. The reliability and relevance of publications and information furnished by the research department are highly rated by all informants contacted; in fact, outsiders have an almost frighteningly high estimate of SRC's capacity to supply accurate and comprehensive data about the South. They also have enormous respect for the Executive Director personally: they feel that his dispassionate temperament, his analytical skills, and his powers, of expression and persuasion have enabled him to be extraordinarily effective. These favorable attitudes were not always stated without qualification, of course, and most informants did have suggestions as to how the work of the Council might be improved. But I think it is important to begin by reporting that the stock of the SRC is very high, and that our efforts at self-evaluation are doubly important in the light of this fact. The staff has an enviable reputation to maintain, and a responsibility to exploit to the fullest the possibilities for influencing public policy andprivate opinion which are open to it.

Without exception, the observers with whom I have talked advise the SRC to continue to play the role it is now playing, and to maintain the posture it has traditionally adopted. Some

informants were of the opinion that the Council has a few blind spots because of its white, middle-class character, and others were just a little wary because of the avowedly integrationist intentions of the Council -- but even the most militant acknowledged that the posture of objectivity made it possible for the SRC to gain a hearing in important courts which are closed to them, and even the most conservative acknowledged the persuasiveness of the "propaganda of the facts" put forth by the SRC. I specifically asked the reaction of informants to several proposals for a new orientation that have been mentioned by friends of the Council; (a) that it should drop its tax-exempt status and become a sort of "ADA of the South"; (b) that it should concentrate all resources on very detailed and scientific research, dropping all other activities; (c) that it should play down its regional focus and identity, becoming national in coverage, membership and activities; and (d) that it should return to Howard Odum's vision of the SRC by directing attention to all kinds of social problems in the South, not just (or almost exclusively) issues pertaining to race. None of these proposals received support from any of the interviewees, nor do they from me, except that a partial endorsement of (d) is reflected in recommendation "G. 2. n." below (p.).

Even if the SRC confines the scope of its operations to the racial crisis in the South, heavy new demands will be placed upon the research department and new opportunities will present themselves to the field activities department. The stepped-up pace of the crisis makes it increasingly difficult to maintain up-to-date files and insure comprehensive reports and replies to

requests for information. Since, as one so often hears when asking outside observers about the Council, "no one else is doing this job," I think concentration on all aspects of civil rights in the South should continue to take priority over other possible interests ot which the SRC might address itself. We all hope that the day is not far off when such a concentration will no longer be necessary, both because desegregation will have taken place and also because the South will have approached national norms in economic prosperity, education, public health, etc. -- but that day is not yet in sight, and it would not make sense for the SRC to spread its limited resources too thinly over an excessively broad range of interests. It would likewise be a mistake for the SRC to put all its eggs in the research basket, for as public awareness of the urgency of the crisis grows so will the desire of intelligent southerners to take an active part in dealing with it. Thus the market for expanded and intensified field activities is already experiencing a boom which will doubtless increase in the immediate future. The SRC must supply not only the organizational machinery needed to harness newly awakened civic energy, but also a great deal of the know-how required to run this mashinery effectively.

I recommend, then, that the SRC maintain its identity as an objective clearing house for information about race relations in the South, and that it simultaneously continue and develop further its efforts to plant and nurture state and local human relations groups. There are two principle corollaries that must be mentioned

in this connection. The first implies a new understanding of "objectivity" in this field; the second implies a new emphasis in field activities.

There is probably some truth in the criticism that SRC's objectivity is limited by its "whiteness" and "middle-classness." The Council would profit, I think, from closer communication with leaders in the Movement -- and I can report that there is a definite desire on the part of some officials at SNCC/SCLC for closer communication and cooperation with the SRC. Genunie objectivity at this moment in history has at least three implications for the SRC:

(1) In the words of the Executive Director, "We (SRC) and others like us have failed the last year or so [in that] we have not got across an understanding of the civil rights movement's penetration into the Black Belt." Despite Baldwin, Birmingham and everything else that is happening, white people (especially southerners) still do not seem to realize how close we are to the brink of anarchy and widespread bloodshed. Objectivity demands that the SRC "cry havoc" in a louder and clearer voice, and because of its reputation as a safe, sane and sober dispenser of plain truth, the SRC is in a position to be heard on this point. If the SRC says it, the people who discount what they read in Newsweek and other Yankee sources -- the same people who are still comforting their complacency by complaining, "Look how much we've given them!" -- may sit up and take notice.

It might be argued that crying havoc is a dangerous tactic: the cry might become a self-fulling prophecy. I think the Executive Director is right in remarking that there has been too much

irresponsible bandying about the concepts "hatred" and "revolution" in recent months. But that is all the more reason why the SRC needs to present a balanced assessment of the Negro mood in the South, an assessment which warns of the explosive pressures building up without exaggerating them or drawing from them hysterical conclusions. An accurate assessment of Negro determination and white recalcitrance in the southern states would be an important service to the nation.

I cannot resist throwing in here an anecdote which supports my point. Howard K. Smith, in a program evaluating the Kennedy Administration, concluded that the President had been a little too cool, a little too pragmatic, a little too hesitant to take aggressive action in domestic affairs without a popular consensus behind him. To illustrate the fact that such excessive reserve had always characterized Kennedy, he quoted a passage from WHY ENGLAND SLEPT in which the young author prefaced a grim paragraph with the words, "I do not want to be an alarmist, but...." Commented Smith, "What would have been so bad about being an alarmist in 1940?" I am suggesting that the SRC should be more realistically alarmist in 1963.

(2) The SRC cannot be objective about the Movement without taking fully into account certain variables which middle-class whites often under-estimate. When a protest action of some sort is undertaken, its effect upon the specific target (a businessman, a mayor, an employer) is not the only relevant consideration. Its effect upon national opinion, national policy-makers and the Negro community, both local and national, are also important

variables. I am not arguing that SRC should meekly give its blessing to any demonstration just because if is an expression of Negro discontent, or because Negroes now have the initiative in the fight -- but I am arguing that all pertinent factors must be ground into the computer before a valid estimate can be made of the worthwhileness of any action. Closer communication would increase both our ability to make such calculations, and the willingness of Negro leaders to listen to our misgivings when we have them.

(3) In many crisis situations in southern localities, members of the white power structure (and yes, Virginia, there is such a beast!_ refuse to negotiate officially with Negro militants. In such situations, the services of a mediator acceptable to whites and trusted by Negroes are invaluable. The Director of Field Activities is doubtless correct in contending that outsiders, including SRC negotiators, may sometimes get in the way rather than help, and that reports of services rendered by HRC negotiators often need to be taken with a grain of salt. It is nevertheless true that SNCC/SCLC Personnel would welcome greater help, and consistent offers of help, from SRC/HRC personnel in situations where they cannot capitalize upon the crisis they have created without the assistance of a third-party mediator. According to the comments of one state HRC Director, it is also true that an outsider from the SRC is frequently more acceptable as a negotiator than the local or state HRC officials. Undue modesty or reserve should not prevent SRC/HRC agents from performing this vital

function. Pride is a less deadly vice than sloth or unimaginativeness.

The second principle corollary of my remarks concerning the general orientation of the SRC is this: in some publications, and especially in field activities, the Council should place greater stress on "how-to-do-it" information and instruction. Although the mass audience and members of some elites still have to be made aware of the existence of problems, and of the need to discuss them honestly with Negroes, there are now in most communities a nucleus of "already convinced" liberals who are ready and eager to move beyond the "let's sit down and talk about it" stage. What these persons need is detailed advice about effecting change in this or that concrete area of community life. They need counsel regarding strategy and tactics, and the SRC ought to supply them with this sort of assistance; indeed, it has already done so in the matter of school desegregation and, to a lesser extent, lunch counter desegregation. A high priority ought to be given to the intensification and expansion of efforts to provide guidance of this kind.

B. Influencing Various Elites.

1. Informal influences.

Many observances declare that the influence exerted by informal, unstructured activities of staff and Council members is of the utmost significance. Parties which bring together important opinion molders and decision makers, casual conversations with journalists and publishers, phone calls and letters to government officials and intergroup relations experts -- such activities furnish unparalleled opportunities for influencing the policies adopted by high-ranking "gatekeepers." The SRC ought to be very self-conscious about these

opportunities, and it should exploit them vigorously. Doing so obviously requires great finesse, but I believe the great prestige of the Council will allow it to seize the initiative in approaching all kinds of elite leaders about all kinds of matters. I believe, for example, that the Executive Director is in a position to gain the respectful attention of the highest officials in the Federal Government, and of some state officials, and I would like to see him embark upon a tour of Washington agencies and state capitols for the purpose of making a deliberate (though behind-the-scenes) attempt to mold their policies. By presenting officials with the latest facts about conditions in the South, plus his interpretation of these facts, he might accomplish more than any number of publications could accomplish. If staff members can bring together at gatherings in their homes important persons who will mutually reinforce one another in accelerating progress, let the budget make provisions for helping them set up gatherings intended to accomplish this purpose. If staff members can influence the thinking of prominent citizens of simply "being around" when the members of some opinion-making elite are discussing a matter which can be determined by them, let the staff make every effort to be on hand at such occasions. (I am told, for example, that an analysis of the Administration's civil rights bill given by a staff member at an informal gathering in Atlanta resulted in letters being written to Congressmen and leaders of civil rights organizations by some of the people who heard this analysis. These letters may have been partly responsible for subsequent attacks upon the weaknesses of the Administration bill by the men to whom they were written.)

2. Formal influences.

a. A newspaperman told me that responsible southern editors need and welcome as much up-to-date information as they can get regarding successful desegregation in other communities. These "success stories" help them write editorials designed to convince their readers that desegregation can be smoothly accomplished, and how it can be done. So L-reports and press releases supplying reassuring information and pointing out reassuring precedents in the desegregation process should be continued. When the news reports show that a transition is about to be made in important bell-weather cities, perhaps the relevant printed materials should be sent again to the local editor, and supplemented by a letter offering special data and consultation if requested.

b. In connection with the tour of state capitols recommended above, it might be useful to prepare special reports on the state municipal executive and civil rights similar to the ones on federal executive action which received so much acclaim two years ago. These reports would be a valuable aid to public officials of good will, and they would render less credible the complaints of irresponsible officials that they do not know what is expected of them, or how to fulfill these expectations.

c. The mailing lists for various elites need to be checked thoroughly and reviewed in the light of a response analysis evaluating the impact of SRC publications on their recipients. My content analysis of L-reports and other publications leads me to believe that this impact ought to be substantial, for the quality of the materials is excellent -- but I don't see how the Council can be sure that the expenditures involved is justified without a response analysis.

Material which strikes us as being quite persuasive might not affect readers in the same way; furthermore, we cannot be sure that the materials are even being read, for very few letters of acknowledgment and appreciation have been received. One of Colonel Muse's field reports notes that only one reference to an L-report had ever been made by the informants visited by him up to that time. Since a staff discussion on distribution has just been held, in which most of my ideas about reviewing the mailing lists were voiced and several promising decisions were made, I am not going into further detail on this point unless the Executive Director wants the matters covered in that staff discussion to be entered here as a part of the record of the self-evaluation process. One item not covered in the staff discussion however, seems worthy of inclusion. One of the businessmen of Atlanta with whom I talked offered to supply the SRC with a list of the men in this city who, in his opinion, are currently weighing decisive changes in policy, or who are in a position to influence others soon to be faced with similar decisions. I wonder if it is possible to find equally qualified informants in all field affected by desegregation in most of the principal cities of the South. It strikes me that a list supplied by an insider is apt to be far more valuable than a list compiled from Moody's and other impersonal sources. The time demands posed by such an attempt might be so great as to make it impracticable -- but the benefits derived from revising the mailing lists in this fashion might be very great indeed. The lists might become simultaneously smaller and more inclusive of key contacts as a result of assistance from reliable insiders.

I would propose that decisions about the mailing lists be made in the light of the following principles:

1) We ought to be able to arrive at some percentage figure which could be used to determine whether or not mailings justify their cost. Iffa response analysis indicates that only 10% of the recipients read L-reports, perhaps they should be eliminated. Or if certain types of reports are not being read, they might well be eliminated. But 20% readership might be enough to justify continued mailings if the response from this 20% is very favorable. These decisions must be made in the light of total expenses, overall assignment of priorities and other variables which only the most experienced officials of the SRC can evaluate.

2) If cost is a decisive limiting factor, getting one good document into the hands of a large audience which can be expected to read it should be rated as more effective than getting two good documents into the hands of a smaller audience. This principle is based upon the assumption that unit costs for distribution are fare less than unit costs for publication; therefore, it may be more relevant to printed than to mimeographed materials. To illustrate: assuming that L-reports are ready by enough recipients to justify distribution, it would be better to send L-44 ("Charlotte Has Built Its Integration Road") to 1,000 mayors and Chamber of Commerce heads) than it would be to send both L-44 and L-43 ("Businessmen Point the Way") to 500 members of this audience.

d. I wonder if it might not be valuable to have occasional

press conferences to supplement information contained in releases about matters of particular importance. These conferences should serve to insure better coverage in media other than the press, and to increase the likelihood that accounts in all media are given the desired slant. This recommendation is just one more manifestation of my conviction that the SRC has more prestige than it realizes, and that it ought to make the most of it, now. I am cognizant of the fact that this high prestige could be hurt by apparent attempts to "get the headlines" too frequently -- but I do not think there is much danger that present staff personnel will permit this to happen.

e. The Southern Leadership Project should obtain the services of two new consultants, or of consultants in two new fields:

1) One of the most troublesome impediments to progress is the lack of qualified Negro leadership on the local level. Local leaders may be able to stir up a fuss, but they are often unable to sustain it or capitalize on it. The SRC could kill two birds with one stone by having a consultant who made it his business to go around quietly instructing the Negro leaders in smaller cities (Danville, Burlington, Spartanburg, etc.) in the lore of maintaining and exploiting pressure for desegregation. Concrete gains would result in cities where the instruction was absorbed, and the liasen with Negro leaders would be strengthened.

2) The full-time services of an expert in the desegregation of public accommodations whould be secured immediately. Whether the Administration bill passes or not, the pressure for desegregation of these facilities is going to increase, and there will be an almost desperate need for help in this area all over the South. The man, or men, who fill this kind of slot need to be experienced in the setting up of biracial committees for dealing with all grievances over a period of time, because the establishment of such committees should be a fundamental goal of this SRC service. (It might be difficult to obtain such consultants at a reasonable salary: a highly regarded leader of the Movement told me that many middle-class Negroes are getting rich by serving this function in various cities, and he estimated that he could make at least $20,000,00 per year for the next several years by going into that respectable business on his own!)

3) I also hope that a man of the stature of Benjamin Muse will return to the field to do what he was doing with great effectiveness before he withdreq to write his forthcoming book.

f. The SRC ought to explore the possibilities of coordinating its work with that of denominational human relations workers in reaching churchmen. There is tremendous emphasis on racial justice in church circles these days, and it ought to be possible for the SRC to conduct seminars that will equip church agents with the tools they need to effect many desirable changes in the thinking and behavior of churchgoers and churches in the South. Judging from Elbert Jean's reports, and from conversations with seminary officials in Atlanta, I am persuaded that his seminars in theological schools are more valuable than his visits with rural ministers. I recommend that the former program be continued; the latter, dropped.

g. I end with a relatively low-priority suggestion, nm namely, that the SRC make some dramatic attempt to influence college students. Even if this involves some dx duplication of NSA endeavors, it still might be worthwhile because of the more objective image of the SRC. I call this a low priority recommendation simply because I feel it is more urgent to influence the leaders of today than the leaders of tomorrow -- but I think that the right person, or a convocation including the right p speakers, could make a hpowerful impact upon an elite which will soon be occupying positions of influence in many communities. There is certainly a need for some respectable and responsible group, such as the SRC, to preach the civil rights gospel on southern campuses, for an astonishingly large number of graduates are ignorant of, misunderstand, and/or react against the Movement and changes being wrought by it.

C. Strengthening the Faithful.

Some of the Council's programs and publications are directed at an audience which stands between the elites and the general public, and audience which is nhmx already sympathetic to the cause and already involved in varying degrees in fighting the good fight. Included in this category are NEW SOUTH, the SRC NEWSLETTER, and internally directed field activities.

1. NEW SOUTH.

NEW SOUTH has always been a fine periodical, and in my opinion it is better than ever under its new editor. Its format is attractive, its xg style is lively, and its brevity is refreshing. Some readers would like it to be longer; others find the style too sophisticated for the common man -- but I cannot agree with either of these criticisms. x Too many serious periodicals never get read, or get read only in part, because their size is too formidable; consequently, I think the length of NEW SOUTH is an asset rather than a liability. As for style, I believe it would be a mmmmmb mistake to cut out the sophisticaton and the sparkle which make the magazine so eminently readable.

I do want to raise a question about the content of NEW SOUTH, though. As the content analysis given in Appendix I reveals, a great deal of space is given to reflections on the historical and philosophical aspects of the southern dilemma. No one enjoys these

articles more than I do, and I have nothing but praise for their high quality. But I wonder if they represent the best possible use of the limited space available in NEW SOUTH. I wonder if articles of this kind are really needed to reinforce the dedication of those who already convinced. I wonder if the space should not be devoted to articles that show the already convinced some specific need for action, or tell them how to meet specific needs of which they are aware. Let it be understood that I am not proposing the elimination of historical-philosophical articles; I am merely suggesting that less linage be given to them, and more to articles on sharply defined aspects of the crisis (as in the May, 1962 issue). Let me admit that I am may underestimate the extent to which embattled liberals in the Deep South need to be encouraged by nonutilitarian reflections on the great sweep of history and the ambiguities of the human condition. And let me report that formants were divided on this point: a majority held a viewpoint similar to mine, but an enthusiastic minority wanted to keep NEW SOUTH just as it is.

2. SRC NEWSLETTER.

I comment on this house organ with considerable diffidence, because I do not know the audience or its tolerance threshold for heavy reading matter. But I have a couple of questions to raise:

a. Aren't SRC people interested in, and in need of, material considerably more weighty and more sharply focused thank that contained in the NEWSLETTER? Much of the content is pertinent (latest publications, relevant articles, significant Chamber of Commerce pronouncements, fmmk forthcoming TV shows, etc.) and much of it is inspiring in a general way (the Evers burial x account, for instance) -- but I thg think each issue of the NEWSLETTER should have a coherence and a "punch" that a potpourri of items does not have. Maybe the NEWSLETTER is not the place for mmty instruction, but I would at least like to suggest that it be used as a vehicle for some really solid materials until a protest is voiced by recipients.

b. My second complaint is much substantial. I find myself irritated by the Sunday School cheeriness of many items in the NEWSLETTER. I realize that there is no virtue in a mood of somber earnestness ~~per se~~, and I also realize that there may be some virtue in fostering a spirit of friendly comradeship among NRC folks in various states. But if I were a member of a state or local NRC receiving the NEWSLETTER, I think I would resist identification with the happy, happy tone refelcted in some parts of it; indeed, I would be so uncomfortable about being infected by, or associated with, this ~~geist~~ that I would probably hunt for excuses to drag my feet or even to disaffiliate.

Now that I have ventilated my strictly subjective feelings, let me ~~xxx~~ try to speak more constructively about the "meat" which I would like to see in the NEWSLETTER. I am suggesting that it ought to be something more closely akin to the ADA LEGISLATIVE NEWSLETTER, which takes it for granted that its readers are thoroughly committed, fairly knowledgeable, and reasonably astute regarding the political process ~~&~~ (and which, consequently, motivates them to develop these traits if they do not have them already). If the same approach could be taken in the SRC NEWSLETTER without scaring away more than half the readers, the following changes in editorial policy might be made:

1)~~&~~ It would not be necessary to duplicate ~~mat~~erials found in other SRC literature. They ought to be reading those anyhow -- or is that too much to assume?

2) Readers would get more than a fiveline hint that Congressmen were not receiving much mail on the civil rights bill; they would get a high-level analysis of the bill which would enable them to write intelligently detailed letters to their Congressmen, supporting or criticizing specific provisions of the proposed legislation.

3) They would receive similarly thorough analyses of all changes in public and private policy which increase equal opportunity, and they would be encouraged to keep ~~xx~~ track ~~x~~ of the administration of these policies in their own localities. They would be instructed in the best known methods of helping Negroes take advantage of the new opportunities provided by laws, executive action, and desegregation agreements, Etc., etc.

It may well be ~~thx~~ that the NEWSLETTER is not the place for this kind of instruction. If not, two further questions remain: (1) What channel is appropriate for the communication of such vital information to HRC members? (2) Is the material conveyed in, or the function served by, the present NEWSLETTER important enough to justify the expense of sending it out?

3. Internally directed field activities (i.e., those which are designed to nourish the HRC's and the members, rather than to influence outsiders).

It is apparent from the slow groth of the state and local HRC's that a great deal must be done to strengthen them internally before they can realize their potential for influencing life in their communities. As the Director of Field Activities noted in his memorandum of July 9, 1963 to me, "The psychology which many of the councils have promoted -- a small band of good people hiring ~~xx~~ as staff members/dedicated people at low salaries -- has not been a conspicuous success." Increasing the size and the effectiveness of state and local HRC's should be a high priority goal for the SRC, and the announced objective of a 40% increase in membership during the current year constitutes bold recognition of the importance of this goal.

a. Increasing membership. The recent experience of the NCHRC certainly confirms the necessity for face-to-face confrontation in the acquisition of new members: about five hundred NCHRC members supposedly sent letters urging affiliation to two friends each, but the return on this investment of time ~~x~~ was only a handful of new recruits. Yet there is something even more important than this. The best way to get active,

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capable members is to have a ~~xxxxxx~~ program with significant aims; furthermore, increased effectiveness is not dependent on, and is more important than, increased numbers. So the SRC needs to consider very carefully how membership is to be expanded, lest the methods used to accomplish this objective prove self-defeating. ~~xxxxxx~~ Specifically, I believe the day is past when it is enough for a HRC to exist simply as a meeting ground where people of both races come to talk things over, and if this is the way the HRC is presented to prospective members, I'm not at all certain we will get the caliber persons we want as new members. ~~X~~ To say this may be to underestimate the value of simply establishing lines of communication or the difficulty of recruiting. But I contend that it would be far better to have a dedicated, sophisticated cadre of activists than an impressively large group of persons who are primarily talkers. So I recommend that enrollment of new members be a subsidiary objective, a hoped-for by-product of more effective programming with the best people already affiliated.

What I am proposing is that the Council adopt a self-conscious policy of always doing more than merely "getting folks together." I am proposing that each HRC be instructed to look always for things to be done, not talked about, and that interested citizens be mobilized on the basis of attacking a specific evil. Then, having drawn them into an active program and had them working with Negroes or other people they might not normally have associated with, the HRC leaders are in a position to ask them to continue working with the HRC on other programs of similar worth.

This theory applies to the "Committees of 12" proposal, too. I think it is an intriguing proposal, and I should like to see it carried out ~~xxxxx~~ somewhere on a small scale to see how it works out. But I am afraid that trying to cover all aspects of the problem of race relations, as the proposal now has it, ~~w~~ would fragment energy and result in more talk without action; consequently, I would prefer to see the groups formed around one issue, which they would try to affect substantially.

b. Guidance.

1) Conferences. The Director of Field Activities has mentioned an idea which I should like to pass along, namely a consolidation of some state conferences. In cases where the ~~[illegible]~~ is not too great, and where problems in adjacent states are similar, it might be ~~a~~ economical, and also more enriching to participants,

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to hold joint conferences. It might even be worthwhile, although it would not be economical, to experiment with region-wide conferences on one theme of especial importance (for example, a conference on the implications of any new federal legislation that might be enacted this year). A region-wide, single-theme conference would focus attention on some matter of particular urgency, and it would offer an opportunity to deal with that matter in depth. (Once again, you see, I come back to my concern that HRC's should be a fighting band of shrewd guerrillas rather than a congregation of amiable folks with good intentions but little savvy.)

2) Instruction on how to organize files, information to seek, etc.. One of the state HRC directors has expressed a desire for more help of this kind, and supplying it might be a chance for the SRC to do well by doing good. Research personnel complain that information received from HRC people is often unreliable or not pertinent, so they should welcome an opportunity to tell HRC staff members what information to file, how to check it, how to classify it, and when to feed it into the Atlanta office.

3) Instruction in strategy and tactics. This is an absolutely <u>top priority item</u>, and I hope materials like the pamphlet by Mrs. Robin receive prompt publication and wide distribution. I do not need to reiterate what I have said earlier about the prime importance of giving the already convinced a "handle" of technical know-how, with which they can grab hold and begin to turn the wheels of policy in the cities where they live.

c. "Hand-holding" operations. The Director of Field Activities asserts that one of his most important functions on trips to crisis situations is simply to comfort and reassure embattled liberals who are being assaulted on every hand. Some state directors complain that the liberals are isolated from one another. In the light of both of these reports, it seems desirable to hunt for some way of systematizing and expanding this process of notification and encouragement. Surely everyone concerned is aware of this; all I need do is emphasize the importance of being continually sensitive to it. The only practicable means of implementing this idea is, I suppose, through letters, phone calls and conversations in the field. It did occur to me that lists of reliable liberals in given geogrgaphical areas and occupational fields might be prepared and circulated, but I'm not sure that the advantages of this approach outweigh the dangers. Certainly the SRC office shuld have such lists on file -- and in writing, not just in the heads of staff persons (because they are too frequently out of the office).

D. Reaching the Mass Public.

1. Through the press.

The SRC has an enviable rapport with many noted newspapermen, and this, as much as any other single thing, is the secret of its success. I have no recommendation to make in this connection, except to urge that the mailing list of editors be scrutinized carefully and, if possible, expanded. It may well be that editors who were previously unwilling to take stock in SRC pronouncements are now quite receptive; indeed, one editor said as much, declaring that it was not until three years ago that he paid any attention to the SRC. The time may be ripe for an exploratory letter to all newspapers of any size in the South, stating what services are available and asking if they are interested in receiving these.

2. Through the other mass media.

The new FCC ruling on equal time for all minority groups may offer a new opportunity for talks and other programs giving the civilized viewpoint on race. The SRC might do well to prepare materials suitable for such presentations and make known their availability. When Ralph McGill, visited Yale two years ago, he asserted that the SRC-sponsored TV shows on school desegregation were very influential. The potential impact of anything on TV is, of course, spectacular, and it is probable that several foundations stand ready to put up the substantial sums which would be required to produce a series of TV films on various aspects of desegretation. One of my informants felt that there was an imperative need for a good half-hour film on intimidation and violence in the South, and he thought that SRC was just the organization to produce such a film. A similar proposal is that SRC encourage the distribution throughout the South of some of the best documentaries on civil rights that have been shown by the networks in recent years.

3. Through books.

If Colonel Muse's forthcoming work on school desegregation is well recieved, the Council might promote similar ventures on other subjects. I am inclined to feel that shorter manuscripts produce a greater return per unit cost, but it would be good for the staff to be on the lookout for exceptionally good manuscripts.

E. Field Activities.

Since I have already discussed the Southern Leadership Project under another rubric, I will not deal with that aspect of field activities here.

I should like to lay stress, however, on my conviction that the Leadership Project is one of the most important programs of the SRC, and I do hope its consultant services can be broadened in the manner suggested above. I should also like to stress by reiteration my recommendation that lists of true liberals, moderates and enemies in various communities be compiled by area and by vocation from the reports of these consultants. Intimate knowledge regarding local leaders must be of incalculable value to HRC people involved in handling or promoting a crisis.

1. Lobbying.

It is my understanding that the SRC cannot do any direct lobbying, but that its organizational ties with state and local HRC's are loose enough to allow it to do a great deal of indirect lobbying through them (by furnishing them with information about pending legislation, by pointing out the need for additional legislation not yet proposed, by advising them how to apply political pressure, etc.). If that understanding is correct, I recommend that a good deal of emphasis be put upon this endeavor.

2. "Focused" community education.

I was very much impressed by what the Director of Field Activities told me about the growth often experienced by citizens who participate in a community campaign to eliminate some particular type of segregation, or to make possible a smooth transition of some kind. Persons who begin in a "Save OUr Schools" campaign with a bare "law and order" position (and with great suspicion of anyone from the SRC!) frequently end as fairly aggressive liberals. This being so, HRC's should give preference to action projects which involve equal-status contacts between Negroes and whites, and which serve to deepen the awareness and commitment

of participants even as they are working together to eradicate some particular community ill. It follows, too, that responsibilities should be assigned ~~t/in/some/par~~ in such as way that the persons involved are confronted with situations which are new to them and thrown with persons of the other race. These maxims tie in with my theory that good members come most reliably from good programs, and that it is wiser to appeal for support of a ~~some~~ concrete community action that to appeal for support in general.

3. Liaison with other similar groups.

All that I have said above about the need for communication with leaders of the Movement could be repeated here. Programs should also be coordinated with the efforts of other agency personnel, and with whatever activities may spring up in the churches as a result of the recent shaking of the ecclesiastical foundations in regard to race.

4. State research assistants.

One of the state directors, in complaining about the impossibility of maintaining up-to-date research files on state matters, ~~set~~ set me thinking about the possibility of establishing the position of research assistant in the best state HRC's. What about setting aside some funds for the experimental hiring of two full-time research assistants for two state staffs? These agents would be responsible for keeping up on ~~everyi~~/ everything in civil rights happening in their

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states, and they would feed this information both to the state HRC director (for programming purposes) and to the SRC Research Department (for informational purposes). The concern which motivates this perhaps impractical proposal is twofold: (1) I worry about the SRC Research Department being so largely dependent on nothing but newspaper clips and other printed materials. This leaves us woefully in the dark about much that never appears in the papers, and about a lot of inside dope which even the best news stories seldom include. (2) It is important to increase the reliability of feedback from HRC's to the SRC, and the appointment of research persons in two states would certainly impress all HRC staffs with SRC's desire for this.

An alternative proposal: appoint one "roving researcher" to the SRC department, and send him out to investigate <u>from a research perspective</u> any situations of particular importance. (This would not represent a duplication of effort: the Director of Field Activities must always have his mind focused on program aims, and does not have time to study situations as well as influence the course they are taking.) Information gathered and analyzed by a roving researcher might enable the SRC to make a very important contribution to knowledge about social change. The academic interest might not weigh heavily with SRC's policy-makers--but it might with some foundation heads who want to make sure that important books emerge from the projects they finance. You could guarantee them that a book based on experiences of this kind would be important.

5. The Director of Field Activities says an increase in field contingency funds and travel allowances is needed, and I would hate

to incur his wrath by failing to make note of his plea!

F. Acting in Crisis Situations.

A special category is devoted to this subject because of its importance in the light of the fact that we are probably going to have a multitude of crises on every hand during the next few years. There are three distinct roles that might be performed by the SRC and SRC personnel: mediation, collection of information, and interpretation.

1. Mediation.

This subject has been treated in an earlier paragraph, and I have nothing to add except an appeal to consider carefully the possible usefulness of SRC in this role. I know that some staff members are inclined to be skeptical, but I beg them to reconsider in light of the requests for assistance in negotiating mentioned above.

2. Information.

Several varieties of information are helpful to protesters and negotiators in a crisis. A timely note on successful desegregation elsewhere, a phone call notifying proper authorities of violations of the law, an assessment of Negro registration or buying power in a given city--these are just a few of the many examples that could be cited of data which the SRC could put into the hands of the proper persons, with possibly decisive effect.

3. Interpretation.

Some staff members think that prompt interpretations of the meaning of dramatic events--the sit-ins and the freedom rides, for example--are among the most valuable contributions ever made by the SRC. The theory is that a speedy interpretation crystalizes public thinking about matters which have not yet been perceived in the

proper context. If this is true, then it is of the utmost importance that the Council should maintain the capability of making such interpretations, and be ever alert to occasions calling for such quick interpretive comment.

G. Research.

The Research Department has traditionally been, and still is, the heart of the SRC. When, in response to a question about "the most important operation of the Council," the Executive Director remarked, "The most important thing we do is just to be here," he must have been thinking of the research files, the publications based on them, and the calls made upon them every day by countless individuals and organizations. Yet I have the impression that no one has ever worked out a conscious policy for research, a policy which would guide the selection of topics to be investigated, sources to be consulted, and distributions or publications to be made. That may, of course, be a very good thing: it may have insured a wholesome flexibility that is one of the secrets of the success of SRC research activities. But I believe that suggestions regarding policy in this department, and the thinking stimulated by them, will be more valuable to you than any of the concrete proposals for research research research research which will be made below.

Most of the materials printed or disseminated by the SRC can be classified under one of four major categories. There is some overlapping, but it is important to be aware of these four, of the audience to which each type of printed matter is directed, the principal channel of communication involved, and the essential purpose of each type.

a. Informational materials.

1) Examples: synopses of demonstrations since Birmingham, lists of schools to be desegregated in September, Morland and Henderson pamphlets, etc.

2) ~~Aigid~~ Audience: newspapermen, public officials, scholars, any alert citizen.

3) Channel: mailings, the press.

4) Purpose: to help all kinds of people keep abreast of events, and to help those whose responsibility it is to ~~b~~ keep others informed.

5) Evaluation: Since this is the bread-and-butter work of the SRC, no one can question its centrality. Yet ~~is~~ it is difficult to state with assurance what effect these materials have on the thinking and ~~aiito~~ actions of readers; as a matter of fact, there are doubtless ~~is~~ different effects, depending upon the data and individual readers. A synopsis of demonstrations is proof of the extent of Negro discontent, and it must surely be good for this to be known, despite the impossibility of predicting what conclusions people draw from this knowledge. (They might rush out and join the WCC.) Lists of places and kinds~~s~~ of institutions desegregated or desegregating reinforces the feeling that "it will come" in reluctant southerners, and therefore makes the road to progress a little smoother--but these lists may also have the boomerang effect of nourishing a false sense of complacency in liberals. Thus I suggest that ~~s~~ a subtle word of proper interpretation accompany informational materials. A list of ~~s~~ schools to be desegregated might end with a reminder that the vast majority of southern school districts have not made any steps toward desegregation, that ~~o~~ tokenism reigns in many which have, that separate schools are still scandalously unequal, etc.

b. Interpretive materials.

1) Examples: Special Reports on sit-ins and freedom rides.

2) Audience: press, elites, relatively sophisticated public.

3) Channel: press, mailings.

4) Purpose: to lead thoughtful persons to view events in a certain way, and to see in them the implications we want them to see.

5) Evaluation: This is a very high priority operation. It attempts more than the passing out of data, thus is a gamble, and may not always prove a winner. But one really timely and persuasive bit of interpretation is probably worth several routine ~~dwpli~~ compilations of information.

c. Implied "calls to action."

1) Examples: L-reports on the economic costs of school chaos, successful precedents in desegregation, etc.

2) Audience: various elites.

3) Channel: mailings, occasional press stories.

4) Purpose: to motivate policy makers to take constructive action, or at least be willing to give tacit agreement to constructive action initiated by others.

5) Evaluation: The "call to action" component is more pronounced in some materials than in others, but in theory this type of publication is a very economical means of reaching the most important audience with a message that must be conveyed to them. The appeal to enlightened self-interest is unabashed, but pre-

cisely because of that, and because it is an appeal based on objective facts, it commands the attention o f those who rate market values or political values over what we regard as moral values. I am in favor of including a "call to action" ingredient in everything distributed, if it can be fitted in unobtrusively, and I favor making this ingredient quite explicit wherever this can be done without compromising the posture of objectivity.

d. "How-to-do-it" materials.

1) Examples: L-report on the Fowler Commission Report in Florida, L-44 (by implication), OASIS reprints, etc..

2) Audience: the already convinced, and ¢ some uncommitted elites with a lively sense of the crisis.

3) Channel: mailings, distribution at conferences.

4) Purpose: to bridge the gap between good intentions and action by showing how to get started and how to proceed with optimal prospects for success.

5) Evaluation: As I have stated more than once already, I consider the need for materials of this kind urgent. I believe that there is at least one person lacking only the stimulus of a tangible plan for action for every person lacking a basic commitment to action, and the return on investment in persons of the ~~of~~ former category should be higher than that on any other sort of investment. It is better to bring about intelligent action on the part of one individual than it is to influence

only the thinking of five persons.

Another question regarding policy is this: should the SRC concentrate on doing research on the most important topics, no matter how many other agents are also researching it, or should we channel our resources into areas being neglected by others? There are, for example, many articles and books being written these days on the economic situation of Negroes. Perhaps the SRC should have devoted the funds used to publish the Henderson pamphlet to more studies like the one on rural farmers in South Carolina. Maybe that is a bad example, because the answer is so obvious: of course not! In view of the extraordinary prestige of the Council, especially its standing with an audience which will not listen respectflly to other sources, I recommend that importance be held a more salient criterion than neglect. It might be good, though, for the SRC to continue to retail the best materials done by others on crucial subjects, and save a large measure of its energy for the wholesaling of publications on issues that are both important and unexamined by others. The Coles pamphlet is, I think, an example of this kind of contribution. A study of the setting up and successful functioning of biracial committees is another topic which the SRC ought to be uniquely qualified to deal with.

2. Specific recommendations for research.

a) More follow-up studies on the implementation of laws, executive policies and judicial decisions regarding desegregation. A praise-worthy example is the special report on PCEEO in the Atlanta area. Other subjects which might be treated are?: protection of registrants and

and registration campaign workers, Governor Sanford's program for equal employment opportunity in North Carolina, implementation of the Executive Order in housing in the South, etc.

b) More dramatic (even sensational?) publicity on violence and intimidation. Middle-class intellectuals are entirely too reluctant to make appeals to the emotions in some matters concerning which we ought to feel a sense of moral outrage and of desperation that something be done. Rblated to this is the need for:

c) A thorough study of "the Negro mood" in the South. (See pp. of this draft.) This might include a section on the growth, or lack of growth, of the Black Muslims in the South, and what this means.

d) A pamphlet proclaiming that prejudiced behavior rather than prejudice is the crucial problem in race relations. This would be nothing original--B'nai B'rith has a superb pamphlet on it by Raab and Lipset, since reprinted in RACE ~~RELATIONS~~ RELATIONS IN AMERICA TODAY--but a version written especially for southerners would be a boon. It would help clarify, for instance, a point on which many southerners are confused, i.e., the obligation to grant rights whether or not acceptance is accorded immediately. It might also reiterate the well-established social-psychological principle that the bark of the professed segregationist is much worse than his bite. (See Tumin's study of Guilford County, N.C., DESEGREGATION: RESISTANCE AND READINESS.)

e.) A special report on "What Foreign Visitors Ask About and Criticize in the South."

f.) Follow-up reports on settlements made as a result of the recent wave of demonstrations. Will things really improve in Birmingham, Cambridge, Savannah, etc.? Where will they, and why, or where will they not, and why not? What kinds of biracial committees prove to be lasting assets, and under what circumstances do they prove to be nothing but temporary palliatives? Etc..

g) How-to-do-it pamphlets dealing with various aspects of desegregation. It might be wise to split the Robins pamphlet into separate pamphlets, according to the issue being dealt with, although if it is really good there is an advantage in having people get the full treatment in one volume. According to a letter of May 20th in the correspondence of the Director of Field Activities, there is as yet no adequate pamphlet on the ways and means of establishing a local HRC---so there's another specific item that deserves a high priority.

h) An interpretive report on the Washington march of August 28th. Should the pamphlet on the direct action movement perhaps be held until material on the Washington demonstration can be included? From all indications, this is going to be a climactic event, and therefore a fitting occasion for the release of the pamphlet.

i) "Success stories" about Negro employees assimilated into previously white working situations, Negro students, homeowners, hotel patrons, etc.

j) More studies by local HRC's pinpointing and documenting ~~individual~~ inequities in their communities (such as the studies of employment in Miami, Chattanooga, Houston, and Atlanta).

k) New, comprehensive, attractive summary of the history and purpose of the SRC (to replace L-1), with provisions for including periodically up-dated lists of available publications.

l) Special reports on the ~~state/municipal~~ state/municipal executive and civil rights.

m) Better coverage of sources containing illuminating articles on civil rights matters:

1) Better coverage of Negro newspapers.

2) Better coverage of scholarly and trade journals. I think this could be implemented without cost by contacting some of the SRC's many admirers in various fields and persuading them to make themselves personally responsible for notifying the Research Department of any useful articles they discover in reading the journals they normally read anyhow. I would be more than happy to be responsible for several religious periodicals. I know Jim Laue would do the same for sociological journals, and I'm sure you could find other "scouts" in the business world, labor, political science, etc..

n) <u>Occasional</u> pieces on problems in the South not directly, or exclusively, concerned with race, yet related to it. Studies on urban problems, low-income housing, public assistance, unemployment, population control and a number

of other topics could perhaps give us a beachhead with persons who think we're fanatical on the race issue, and at the same time illuminate crucial problems which do have a bearing on the welfare of our Negro citizens.

I. Office Efficiency and Staffing.

1. An additional person in the Research Department.

If the research files of the SRC are not comprehensive, or if requests for information cannot be answered immediately and accurately, all is lost. The great prestige of the Council could be seriously injured overnight if even a few false steps are made here. Without the help of a volunteer worker this summer, research personnel might have been swamped already by the mounting deluge of press clips and requests for information. I am no authority on the division of labor or working efficiency, but it seems clear to me that the librarian needs to have his time protected against all responsibilities which distract him from his primary task of clipping and filing incoming materials. I don't think he should ever be bothered with a phone call. Another research person needs to be protected to almost the same degree in keeping "running accounts" on the status of desegregation and imminent desegregation in all kinds of facilities. Incoming requests could then be answered easily wihtout someone's having to drop all routine responsibilities and work frantically on some tight-deadline inquiry. I can't make a precise recommendation along this line, but I do consider it extremely important that research should have another full-time person.

2. A half-door at the entrance to the Research Department.

This simply expedient would prevent random visitors from wandering back into the library and distracting its harried

inhabitants.

3. Placing the reception desk outside the main working space.

It is terribly distracting to hear, and be tempted to meet, every person who comes into the office. Would it not be feasible to put the reception desk opposite the elevator, or in the conference room (with a wall separating the conference room entrance from the main office space), so that visitors could be greeted out of earshot?

4. A more carefully thought out policy for determining which conferences, speaking engagements and other outside demands on staff time are really worhty of the investment of SRC resources.

This is a delicate matter. The Council, and individual staff members, must keep in mind the necessity of maintaining good will by helping friends whenever possible. But if these friends are mature, they should certainly ~~fel~~ realize that every request for a speaker or participation in a conference cannot be ~~honored~~ honored. I have heard various staff personnel vioce irritation at having to appear at a ~~gathering~~ gathering they regarded as relatively pointless. It might enable them to say "No" more diplomatically if the Council had a policy on this which could be cited as a reason for refusing. But this recommendation perhaps typified what could be the root fallacy of this entire report: its attempt to impose a neat but superficial rational order on something which may work best by experienced intuition.

5. Relationship Between Staff and Council Members.

When the present Executive Director assumed this post, he sent out a letter to all members of the Council requesting "re-emphasis of the founding idea of the Council, as an active body of southern liberals, involving themselves directly in the ~~pl~~ planning, fulfillment, and evaluation of programs." ~~I believe two things are true.~~ In subsequent correspondence, and in ~~det~~ conversations

with me, he has often reiterated his conviction that the SRC cannot operate with maximum effectiveness unless staff does have the benefit of imaginative suggestions and alert criticism from Council members. I should like to record my hope that the Executive Director's thinking on this point will be widely accepted, and acted on, by Council members. Staff inevitably becomes absorbed in the formulation and implementation of programs; it has little time or energy left over for critical evaluation of policy or the development of fresh ideas. There is always the danger, moreover, that the organization will lose the services of key staff members suddenly and unexpectedly--and if Council members are not familiar enough with present policy and operating procedures to insure the smooth initiation of new staff officials, the work of the organization can be hurt severely. So I urge the members of the Council to take seriously the Executive Director's desire that their contribution not be limited to the prestige of their names and their participation in the annual meeting.

HC - file with rest of your material, please

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REVIEW AND EVALUATION OF ~~THE~~ SRC WITH RECOMMENDATIONS

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A. ~~Mechanics~~ Procedure

During the summer of 1963 the Council engaged Dr. Henry B. Clark (Union Theological Seminary) ~~as staff consultant. Based in the Atlanta office for six weeks,~~ Dr. Clark observed intimately the operations of the staff, reviewed the content of materials published in recent years, and had access to unpublished, informal memoranda and reports. He solicited the views of ~~Board~~ Council members, directors of state councils on human relations, and interviewed at length a score or more ~~of~~ civic leaders (including journalists) in Atlanta and several cities ~~in~~ in North Carolina. Comment was gathered also from staff members of other agencies with which SRC has relationships.

Dr. Clark prepared a preliminary report, submitted it to the staff for criticism, then rewrote it for the Committee of Advisers.

Consisting of three members of the Executive Committee and ~~three~~ six members from the Council's general membership, the Committee of Advisers studied the ~~revised~~ 7 page Clark report + offered suggestions. ~~which was mailed them.~~ A quorum of the Committee then met in Atlanta on August 29 for a day-long discussion of the report.

On the basis of the work done by Dr. Clark and on the basis of the meeting of the Committee of Advisers, the staff then drafted this study for ~~the~~ review ~~of~~ by the Executive Committee on September 24. This present report represents, therefore, ~~its~~ conclusions + recommendations of the staff.

B. Viewpoint

In this study we shall, generally, put the ends before the means. There are several reasons why ~~a more traditional form of analysis of the Council (~~department-by-department~~, year by year, etc.)~~ is not in order. ~~For one,~~ more than at any other time in the past, the pressure and volume of events ~~with which we deal~~ draw upon a combination of our ~~facilities~~ resources, tools, and talents. More importantly, only by examining what the Council aims to do and be, can we candidly assess whether it has done its job. ~~and lived up to its image.~~

The subsequent pages will, therefore, move first to a critique of SRC's philosophy and role. ~~In the light of these intangibles,~~ The report will than take inventory of the means at the Council's disposal - programs, departments, publications, personnel. ~~In both sections, the degree of success and/or practicability of ideas and actions will be weighed.~~ Recommendations for improvement, discard, and innovation follow the discussions and occur throughout the text.

A brief conclusion will focus on some specific budgetary aspects of the foregoing.

II. To What Ends Does the Council Work

"SRC has always worked with people, not with problems. What is important is to get people looking at problems. We are not solving the problems; we are helping people solve them."

--Dean Comillion
August 29, 1963
Committee of Advisers meeting

This statement was made by Dr. C. E. Comillion during a Committee of Advisers meeting. We think it is an excellent appreciation of SRC philosophy.

* The report is short & deliberately so. We want it read by all Council members as well as by certain outside friends. It is a prescription for action over the next period of the Council's life. The study which preceded was lengthy & thorough: this final staff report is its distillation.

A. Commitment

~~It is emblematic of the Southern Regional Council that it has never welded its aims to an overall or even annual program of ironclad aims and accomplishments.~~ ~~Our~~ Maneuverability to meet crises and needs when and where they have come ~~and when and where we have~~ or been anticipated ~~them~~ has been essential to ~~our~~ effectiveness. While ~~Ou~~ a structure, we have never been a programmatic organization, we have been committed to ~~Thus, while not programmatic in a strict sense, the Council's flexible structure is built on a foundation of~~ three ~~fixed~~ constant ideas.

-- A belief that the South has to have open, rational discussion of its problems

-- ~~An~~ (A deeply) ingrained ~~commitment~~ belief ~~to the~~ in dialogue between Southerners, Negro and white

-- A dedication to the fulfillment of the South's promise ~~of the South~~ as a region. ~~concurrent with, as well as after, the resolution of the South's problems in racial relations.~~

RECOMMENDATION #1

That this basic order of ideas be preserved with perhaps increasing thought given in the days ahead to Howard Odum's original vision of broad, southern , regional development.

Priority, ~~however,~~ in both outlook and effort, should continue to go to all aspects of racial relations in the South. Observations made to the staff consultant reiterated the thought, "no one else is doing this job." For the present, our concentration on this area of commitment correctly supercedes other interests to which we may later address ourselves. The pace of events patently indicates that even within this scope of concern our resources are fully tried.

From our first days, SRC has grounded its reputation on its ~~value~~ its informational + research services. We have endeavored neither to compromise objectivity or commitment + this is an endeavor we must continue.

B. Posture

The Council ~~has a distinctive role to play as~~ is a storehouse of objective data and a center for interpretive analysis. ~~It~~ further serves as a pivot for other programs ~~and~~ sharing intrinsically in its commitment but swinging wide of its actual operations.

It is fitting to interject here that in all the utilization of its informational services and interpretive skills, the Council does not compromise its ~~esponsal~~ avowed commitment with its objective posture. SRC's stance is unique. The varying degrees in which ~~which~~ it is esteemed by the press, other agencies, etc., will be reviewed appropriately later. Withal, the

RECOMMENDATION #2

-- is submitted that SRC preserve precisely this composite role.

Informative ~~Physically, the data storehouse is, in large measure, the research room.~~ The Research Department has traditionally been ~~striven to be~~ the heart of SRC, pumping the facts and figures into the arteries of newspapers, governmental agencies, ~~scholarly studies,~~ the staff, and other human relations & civil rights agencies ~~that amorphous organism, public opinion.~~ into SRC's own field activities. Clearly, there is more information to sift and store than ever before. There is also ~~and clearly there is a need for the~~ ~~over~~

RECOMMENDATION #3

That new budget planning recognize the ~~vital~~ need for more comprehensive gathering and handling of data. ~~if SRC is to flourish in its recommended storehouse role.~~

Interpretive Interpretive analysis, particularly that which promptly ~~fills the news vacuum and~~ guides ~~molds~~ uncrystallized thinking, ~~after~~

~~the~~ a marked increase in the number of demands made upon us. Requests from the press & federal agencies have not much grown, though they certainly have not diminished & new federal agencies & committees, in being or prospective, suggest ~~a~~ enlarged servicing. But the proliferation of municipal bi-racial committees, denominational programs, ~~professional & the organized~~ newly awakened concerns by organized business & professional groups are already mounting pressures on our research department.

There is need, therefore, to ~~expand the~~ read file & process more material. The ~~average number~~ number of SERS Zerox sheets received grew from in to in. There is need to expand our service.

~~a dramatic event~~ (e.g., Freedom Rides, sit-ins, Albany), is of ~~utmost~~ utmost importance. On the other hand, such interpretation seems the risky business or being routinely successful. Mississippi, Birmingham, Selma, Albany, Freedom Rides, all continue to be centered events & take strain. Weekend & other rest periods or times for every new event & change trouble. But we should not be entirely taken for granted & development that

RECOMMENDATION #~~4~~ 3

That interpretation continue as a priority function, ~~requiring the thorough backstopping of Recommendation #2.~~

~~Pivotal~~ In its pivotal role, SRC's precise accomplishments are difficult to define. Of considerable interest are the more militant agencies which draw heavily upon us because of our non-activist posture. (we are not agitating for something they are against). They all operate around us because we are non-partisan (we do not endorse one and not endorse another). In short, we can be trusted because of our lack of commitment, in their terms. To maintain this posture, we offer the

RECOMMENDATION #5

That we earnestly avoid dialogue, even among ourselves, as to militancy, partisanship, and direct action.

~~Similarly, our role has enabled us to administer the Special Fund for Educational Projects. Thus~~, for six years we have assisted groups around the South in activities beyond the scope of, but empathetic with, our own program. Assistance has been provided in community planning for school desegregation, assistance to students displaced by school closings, and to students on new frontiers of desegregated higher-education; study ~~&~~ of police practices; ~~south-wide women's church meeting~~; strengthening morale of isolated liberals; enabling reproduction of informative materials. These aids took various forms: printing costs, travel, extraordinary operational costs,

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for many other things

from movement ~~[illegible]~~ and mobilized by ~~[illegible]~~ police opinion leaders.

television programming, we think few things we have been able to do have more value per dollar. ~~We are glad that currently~~ we are in a position to continue this project and have no pertinent needs for which we must make recommendation.

C. Relationships

~~COMMUNITY~~

In many communities, especially those facing a decision, SRC ~~maintains~~ has close ~~and cordial~~ relationships with autonomous groups of citizens, often than the Council on Human Relations. ~~Sometimes these relationships are formalized, as in the case of our cooperative liaisons~~ These include some - on a local group or specially concerned church body or league, Negro Bar or a citizens' committee, Negro PTA, the Council on Human Relations, of course, with with the state and local Councils on Human Relations. Frequently, looser relationships develop between the Council and groups of citizens in response to an immediate need in a community.

The latter relationships flourish briefly but presently have no basis for being of long duration. The director of field ~~activicis~~ activities has observed, however, that persons who have onee rallied to a local racial problem do not, with the passing of the crisis, abruptly become "race-unconscious." They have, in effect, been "touched" and therefore constitute a lode heretofre ineffectively mined for more formal CHR membership. In this regard (other aspects - membership, activities, - of the CHRs are discussed later on page 14). The CHRs are of great potential and opportunity. But they require the sustenance for what we believe is their necessary participation in local situations, not exclusively those of a crisis nature. We submit,

Is this broder with our present paid field staff.

~~therefore, the~~

RECOMMENDATION #~~6~~ 3

That SRC ~~meet the need to~~ expand ~~the~~ the field service, and ~~the need to expand the field~~ staff; ~~the need to increase the field budget~~.

GOVERNMENT

~~The Council's association with the federal government has been, by and large, salubrious. We have served variously as bellwether and fact-finder. We have also been critic and gadfly.~~ We hope to ~~go on wearing these hats.~~ go on being all of these. But whereas in the past we had relationships with Washington only, there is increasing evidence that SRC is heard in councils at the state government level. A

RECOMMENDATION #7 4

~~It is suggested that the~~ That new relationships between the Council and state governments ~~officials~~ be ~~zealously encouraged~~ developed + research in state affairs be carried on.

~~It is fundamental to the Council's ss having viable relationships~~ # With two very important groups, church and labor, ~~that~~ the Council services + aid should be asked. With the expansion of denominational activity and the re-birth ~~expansion~~ of the Fellowship of Southern Churchmen, SRC ~~will~~ ought to be prepared to give help where help is needed. But, SRC should not try to take the initiative in ~~this~~ the church field, which is more richly resourced than any comparable grouping of individuals. ~~On this basis the~~

CHURCH

RECOMMENDATION #~~6~~ 5

~~It is made that~~ That with the expiration of our current cooperative work with the National Council of Churches, this relationship be discontinued.

LABOR

Past experience ~~with labor (Labor Project _____)~~ (NRS - _____) indicates that we cannot effectively furnish initiative with labor unions ~~in this area~~ either.

Recommendations #1 + #3 are prerequisite to a new program emphasis which we regard as urgent. Especially over the past 2-3 years, we have worked much with federal agencies, + have directed many of our publications at federal activities + responsibilities. We intend to continue in this way. But it is time now to seek similar ways of work with state ~~[illegible]~~ governments, + to research + publish in this area.

In the last year, ~~however,~~ or so we have been invited to take part in ~~considerably more~~ several programs of organized labor, and would be glad ~~like both~~ to continue and expand our resource services ~~as a resource~~ to ~~this group.~~ labor.

Other Agencies

Insofar as the premises for SRC's relationships with other agencies are inherent in our philosophy, these have been discussed earlier (pp. 5). More specifically, the Council serves the Southern Interagency Conference as interlocutor and adjudicator.

RECOMMENDATION #~~7~~ 6

SRC should continue as secretariat of the Southern Interagency Conference, + should strive for mutually satisfying relationships with all allied organizations.

D. Reputation

Candor and necessity dictate that the Council recognize the estimate other, and ~~least~~ important, people make of it. We are aware of our good reputation. It is the end product of what we have accomplished and a barometer of what is expected of us. We need daily to preserve and defend this reputation.

~~E.~~ D. Communication

An SRC staff member has deplored the frequent use of the big word, "communication," nowadays to mean redolent of significance, which is far from the basic aim of Marconi and Bell to transmit a message, ~~to many different people.~~ ~~And~~ This communication is a vital part of the Council. Means of communication are further discussed in Section III, but here we should sketch in briefly who "gets the message."

In this day of organizational proliferation, SRC will serve but in the measure that it maintains the trust & respect of all other agencies, whether of an "action" or "non-action" kind. (Moreover, our very special role in the Voter Education Project requires this.)

PRESS

The Council deals with the written word, as does the press. One index to both our reputation, and our accuracy and articulateness, is the fact that a cadre of the most responsible and widely circulated journalists have demonstrated through their reporting that they consider SRC a responsible and valued source.

ELITE

Through the press, as well as in all aspects of our work, we have been most conspicuously successful in reaching the elite. By this we mean those persons in a community who have the authority to make decisions and/or the influence to mold opinion. Some of the elites SRC has reached and should endeavor to continue to influence are school superintendents, editors, businessmen, police chiefs, government officials, and church leaders. And while, candidly, we have had little success with the mass, we should never give up the search for means of doing so. With this end in view, we should consider as one possible means the

RECOMMENDATION #7

> That we give more attention to middle-sized newspapers than we do at present, especially those covering a broad and somewhat homogeneous geographic area.

OTHER MEDIA

Especially In light of the new FCC ruling on equal time, we should perhaps note in passing that SRC lacks both the skills and the monies to utilize television and radio.

INFORMAL

No guage exists for the measurement of influence. According, no discussion of communication can conclude without reference to the influence of Council members and staff away from the conference table, the office, and the official forum.

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For the past two years Dr. Robert Coles has conducted the Research ~~and~~ in Pupil Adjustment Project, the one contribution of SRC to scholarly research. As a general rule, it is difficult for SRC

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Dr. Clark prepared a preliminary report, submitted it to the staff for criticism, then rewrote it for the Committee of Advisers.

Consisting of three members of the Executive Committee and six members from the Council's general membership, the Committee of Advisers studied the 50-page Clark report and offered suggestions. A quorum of the Committee then met in Atlanta on August 29 for a day-long discussion of the report.

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drafted this study for review by the Executive Committee on September 24. This present report represents, therefore, the conclusions and recommendations of the staff.

B. Viewpoint

In this study we shall, generally, put the ends before the means. There are several reasons why an analysis job-by-job and department-by-department is not in order. More than at any other time in the past, the pressure and volume of events draw upon a combination of our resources, tools, and talents. More importantly, only by examining what the Council aims to do and be, can we candidly assess whether it has done its job.

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This statement was made by Dr. C. G. Gomillion during

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Maneuverability to meet crises and needs when and where they have come or been anticipated has been essential to effectiveness. While in a strict sense, we have never been a programmatic organization, we have been committed to three constant ideas.

-- A belief that the South has to have open, rational discussion of its problems

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-- A dedication to the fulfillment of the South's promise as a region.

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The Council is a storehouse of objective data and a center for interpretive analysis. From the first days, SRC has grounded its reputation on the validity of its informational and research services. We have endeavored neither to compromise objectivity or commitment, and this is an endeavor we must continue.

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It is inevitable, with the widening of the Council's activities, that the staff must more and more weigh its value at home against its value abroad. Conferences, speaking engagements, workshops -- all are worthy investments but heavy on time. In recent years, two officers of the Council have helped conspicuously with such assignments. In SRC's best interests, we hope that other Council members may be

available also for speaking engagements and conference participation. However, the staff recognizes the inestimable contributions many Board Members make in their own communities and the demands made upon them locally.

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The Southern Leadership Project has been an integral part of the field work and research of the Council. In the usual sense, it is not a special project, because it embodies functions which the Council, because it is the Council, should perform. Therefore, it is imperative that the Leadership Project be continued beyond May 1964 (when its present financing ends) or that other funds permit its functions to be absorbed into the general operations budget.

B. Scholarly Research

For the past two years Dr. Robert Coles has conducted the Research in Pupil Adjustment Project, the one contribution of SRC to scholarly research. As a general rule, it is difficult for SRC in its day-to-day work to divert resources to scholarly research. But our experience with this study has been so rewarding that we have grown mindful of the value of one such interest.

RECOMMENDATION #19

That the Council have underway at all times one such self-contained and basic project of this nature.

C. <u>The Special Fund for Educational Projects</u>

For six years we have assisted groups around the South in activities beyond the scope of, but empathetic with, our own program. Assistance has been provided in community planning for school desegregation; assistance to students displaced by school closings, and to students on new frontiers of desegregated higher-education; study of police practices; strengthening morale of isolated liberals; enabling reproduction of informative materials; and for many other things. These aids took various forms: printing costs, travel, extraordinary operational costs, television programming. We think few things we have been able to do have more value per dollar.

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PROGRAM REVIEW AND EVALUATION — (Center)

I. Background of the Study

Last year the staff decided it would be especially appropriate at this time for the Council - members and staff - to look closely at itself. In meeting our concerns, what were we doing well? What were we doing from habit and custom which should be discontinued? What needs were going unmet? What were the implications for SRC of the new directions and demands of the civil rights efforts in the region and the nation?

To begin this evaluation, the Council engaged during the summer of 1963 Dr. Henry B. Clark, of Union Theological Seminary, as staff consultant. Dr. Clark observed intimately the operations of the staff, reviewed the content of materials published in recent years, and had access to unpublished, informal memoranda and reports. He solicited the views of Council members, directors of state councils on human relations, and interviewed at length a score or more civic leaders, including journalists, in Atlanta and in several cities of North Carolina. Comment was gathered also from staff members of other agencies with which SRC has relationships.

Dr. Clark prepared a preliminary report, submitted it to the staff for criticism, then rewrote it for the Committee of Advisers.

Consisting of three members* of the Executive Committee and five** members from the Council's general membership, the Committee

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*Mrs. Hamilton, and Drs. Dent and R. Wheeler.

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of Advisers studied the 50-page Clark report and offered suggestions. A quorum of the Committee then met in Atlanta on August 29 for a day-long discussion of the report.

On the basis of the work done by Dr. Clark and on the basis of the meeting of the Committee of Advisers, the staff then drafted its own report, for review by the Executive Committee on September 24. After extensive discussion then, the staff was instructed to incorporate several changes and, with their inclusion, the Executive Committee approved the report in principle. It delegated to Mrs. Hamilton and Drs. Dent and R. Wheeler authority to review and approve, as they have now done, the report for submission to the Annual Meeting on November 25-26.

The report is short and designedly so. We want it read by all Council members as well as by certain outside friends. It is a prescription for action over the next period of the Council's life. The Clark study which preceded it was lengthy and thorough; this final staff report is its distillation.

Because of its complexity and its short-run nature, this report does not, except incidentally, cover the Voter Education Project.

II. SRC Philosophy and Reputation

> "SRC has always worked with people, not with problems. What is important is to get people looking at problems. We are not solving the problems; we are helping the people solve them."

This statement was made by Dr. C. G. Gomillion during the Committee of Advisers meeting. We think it is an excellent expression of the SRC philosophy.

While in a strict sense, we have never been a programmatic organization, we have been committed to four constant ideas.

-- A belief that the South has to have open, rational discussion of its problems

-- A deeply ingrained belief in dialogue between Southerners, Negro and white

-- A belief in the possibility that, despite centuries of oppressive race relations, the South can construct a rarely achieved bi-racial society of free persons and citizens

-- A dedication to the fulfillment of the South's promise as a region which can contribute much--religiously, intellectually, politically, and economically--to a larger common good

In the course of his work, Dr. Clark talked with more than a score of persons active in journalism, education, the business world, the legal profession, municipal politics, state and local human relations work, civil rights agencies, and religious affairs. They were asked to comment on the reliability and the usefulness to them of SRC publications and services, the nature and the extent of the Council's influence, and areas of concern and action for which they felt SRC should be especially responsible. Dr. Clark reported as follows:

> My talks with these informants indicate that the prestige of the SRC is very great. The reliability and relevance of publications and information furnished by the research department are highly rated by all informants; in fact, outsiders have an almost frighteningly

high estimate of SRC's capacity to supply accurate and comprehensive data about the South. These favorable attitudes were not always stated without qualification, of course, and most informants did have suggestions as to how the work of the Council might be improved. But I think it is important to report that the stock of the SRC is very high, and that our efforts at self-evaluation are doubly important in the light of this fact. The staff has an enviable reputation to maintain, and a responsibility to exploit to the fullest the possibilities for influencing public policy and private opinion which are open to it.

Without exception, the observers with whom I have talked advise the SRC to continue to play the role it is now playing, and to maintain the posture it has traditionally adopted. This does not mean that the SRC should simply "keep on doing what it has always done," but it does mean that the fundamental orientation of the Council is sound. Some informants were of the opinion that the Council has a few blind spots because of its identification with "the Establishment," and others were just a little wary because of the avowedly integrationist intentions of the Council -- but even the most militant acknowledged that the posture of objectivity made it possible for SRC to gain a hearing in important courts which are closed to them, and even the most conservative acknowledged the persuasiveness of the "propaganda of the facts" put forth by the SRC.

III. Basic Strength

We think it is clear that all other functions SRC performs depend on the quality of our research and information services.

The Council is a storehouse of objective data and a center for interpretive analysis. From the first days, SRC has grounded its reputation on the validity of its informational and research services. We have endeavored to compromise neither objectivity nor commitment, and this is an endeavor we must continue.

The Research Department has traditionally been the heart of SRC, pumping facts and figures into the arteries of newspapers, governmental agencies, scholarly studies, the staffs of other human relations and civil rights agencies, and into SRC's own

field activities. Clearly, there is more information to sift and store than ever before. There is also a marked increase in the number of demands made upon us. Requests from the daily press, news magazines, and federal agencies have not much grown, though they certainly have not diminished, and new federal agencies and committees, in being or prospective, suggest enlarged servicing. But the proliferation of municipal bi-racial committees, denominational programs, newly awakened concerns by organized business and professional groups, and what seem to be steadily growing calls from television, radio, and article-type magazines are mounting heavy pressures on our research department.

There is need, therefore, to read, file, and process more material. (The average number of SERS Zerox sheets received grew from 3,500 monthly in 1962 to 9,919 in July 1963.) There is also a need to expand our services.

To do this is virtually a necessity. Beyond it there is a need, growing out of opportunities, to advance our research and informational work to a higher level. Several reasons for this are apparent. (a) SRC publications have succeeded, and, as with many other ventures, success breeds a faster pace and more rigorous standards. (b) The number of official and private agencies, particularly in the South, turning to SRC for assistance is growing, and these agencies want not only data but expert interpretation. (c) SRC can further the momentum of the state Councils on Human Relations by research and information assistance, including advice and joint studies. All of this means the high

desirability of adding to our senior research and information staff.

RECOMMENDATION #1

> That new budget planning recognize the need for more comprehensive gathering and handling of data, and for enlarging the ability of the research and information staff to operate at a higher level of talent and coverage. (See page 20 for budget implications.)

Interpretive analysis, particularly that which promptly guides uncrystallized thinking (e.g., Freedom Rides, sit-ins, Albany), is of utmost importance. On the other hand, quick interpretation runs the risk of being wrong or being partially inaccurate. Weighing these two considerations, our conclusion is that we should continue to take the risks. We do not and should not rush into print or type for every new riot, however horrible. But we should offer interpretation for events and developments that have new dimensions not understood by the public or opinion leaders.

RECOMMENDATION #2

> That interpretation of critical events continue as a priority function.

IV. Relationships and Field Activities

In many communities, especially those facing a decision, SRC has close relationships with autonomous groups of citizens other than the Councils on Human Relations. These include save-our-schools groups, or especially concerned church bodies, or League of Women Voters, or a considerable variety of other types.

The Councils on Human Relations are, of course, our primary interest. One, possibly two, has reached a size and stability where program opportunities multiply. A couple others face multiplied problems. In Mississippi, the first foundations are being laid.

We face here a most serious staff need. We cannot do an adequate job in servicing the needs and opportunities of these bodies with our presently sized field staff.

RECOMMENDATION #3

> That SRC expand its field services, and staff.
> (See page 20 for budget implications.)

Especially over the past two to three years, we have worked much with federal agencies, and have directed many of our publications at federal activities and responsibilities. We intend to continue in this way. But it is time now to seek similar ways of work with state governments, and to research and publish in this area.

Here is an opportunity for SRC to work constructively in partnership with the state Council on Human Relations, through cooperative planning of research and information services, and cooperative field work.

RECOMMENDATION # 4

> That new relationships between the Council and state governments be developed and more research in state affairs be carried on.

With two very important groups, church and labor, the Council's services and aid should be asked. Past experience

indicates that we cannot effectively furnish initiative with labor unions. In the last year or so we have been invited to take part in several programs of organized labor, and would be glad to continue. We feel that organized labor has potential for southern leadership toward civil rights and equal opportunity which it has scarcely tapped. We feel, furthermore, that SRC has resources which labor could call upon for great advantage. Although we do not state this as a recommendation, the SRC staff should consult regularly with counterparts in organized labor, and be prepared to develop with them cooperative programming.

With the expansion of denominational activity and the rebirth of the Fellowship of Southern Churchmen, SRC ought to be prepared to give help as it can where help is needed in the church field. But, SRC should not try to take the initiative in this field, which is now more richly resourced than any other.

Since June 1962, SRC has joined with the National Council of Churches in a program of field visitation and servicing of rural clergy of the Deep South. The staff thinks that this program, to which SRC committed itself for two years, has been worthwhile. Because of our own limited resources, and because of the recent upsurge in denominational activity, we think that SRC should not longer exercise initiative in this area.

RECOMMENDATION #5

> That with the expiration of our current cooperative work with the National Council of Churches, this relationship be discontinued. (See page 20 for budget implications.)

In this day of organizational proliferation, SRC will serve best in the measure that it maintains the trust and respect of all other agencies, whether of an "action" or "non-action" kind. (Moreover, our very special role in the Voter Education Project requires this.)

RECOMMENDATION #6

> SRC should continue, if asked, as secretariat of the Southern Interagency Conference, and should strive for mutually satisfying relationships with all allied organizations

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V. COMMUNICATION

The Council deals with the written word, as does the press. One index to both our reputation and our accuracy and articulateness is the fact that a cadre of the most responsible and widely circulated journalists have demonstrated over the years through their reporting that they consider SRC a responsible and valued source.

Through the press, as well as in all aspects of our work, we have been most conspicuously successful in reaching the elites. By this we mean those persons in a community who have the authority to make decisions and/or the influence to mold opinion. Some of the elites SRC has reached and should endeavor to continue to influence are school superintendents, editors, businessmen, police chiefs, government officials, and church leaders. And while, candidly, we have had little success in speaking directly to the mass, we should never give up the search for means of doing so. With this end in view, we should consider as one possible means

RECOMMENDATION #7

> That we give more attention to middle-sized newspapers than we do at present, especially those covering a broad and somewhat homogeneous geographic area.

Especially in light of the new FCC ruling on equal time, we should perhaps note in passing that SRC lacks both the skills and the monies to utilize television and radio directly.

No gauge exists for the measurement of influence. Accordingly, no discussion of communication can conclude without reference to the influence of Council members and staff away from the conference table, the office, and the official forum. Social encounters and friendships with government officials, reporters, agency leaders, and civic leaders

generally yield an incalculable and cumulative effect.

Similarly, the Council office itself is a hub where like minds gather, problems are threshed out, and a supportive in-group confidence prevails. This, too, is communication--unstructured, unorganized, informal.

VI. Publications

Under present procedures, the staff decides what to publish. State Councils and Board Members should be alert to needs for particular publications and the staff should welcome advice from them.

It is implicit in the purposes of our research department that there is no long-range policy to guide the selection of topics to be investigated, sources to be consulted, advisers to be drawn upon, or distribution to be made. Often Research must respond momentarily to crucial events. Frequently a good idea grows out of routine compilation of data. A wholesome flexibility is hereby assured. But a retrospective look at the kinds of things SRC has published suggests some recommendations.

Research publications fall roughly into four categories, with far the greatest number being in categories #1 and #2. These are:

(1) Informational--eg., synposes of demonstrations since Birmingham, school expenditures in Mississippi tabulated by race.

(2) Interpretive--eg., Special Reports on sit-ins and Freedom Rides; Coles's A Psychiatric Study.

(3) "Calls to action"--e.g., Federal Executive and Civil Rights. These are to motivate the elite and, sometimes, to appeal to self-interest.

(4) "How-to-do-it"--e.g., L-Report on Fowler's Florida Bi-racial Commission, reprint "Richmond Quietly Leads the Way in Race Relations," the "Robin-Anthony" manual on save-our-schools groups.

Dr. Clark's discussion of each of these categories is interesting:

(1) Informational. Since this is the bread-and-butter work of the SRC, no one can quesiton its centrality. Yet it is difficult to state with assurance what effect these materials have on the thinking and actions of readers; as a matter of fact, there are doubtless different effects, depending upon the data and individual readers. A synopsis of demonstrations is proof of the extent of Negro discontent, and it must surely be good for this to be known, despite the impossibility of predicting what conclusions people draw from this knowledge. (They might rush out and join the WCC.) Lists of places and kinds of institutions desegregated or desegregating reinforce the feeling that "it will come" in reluctant Southerners, and therefore make the road to progress a little smoother; but these lists may also have the boomerang effect of nourishing a false sense of complacency in liberals. Thus I applaud the fact that a subtle word of proper interpretation often accompanies informational materials, and I urge that this practice be continued. A list of schools to be desegregated might, for example, end with a reminder that the vast majority of southern school districts have not made any steps toward desegregation, that tokenism reigns in many which have, that separate schools are still scandalously unequal, etc.

(2) Interpretive. This is a very high priority operation. It attempts more than the passing out of data, thus is a gamble, and may not always prove a winner. But one really timely and persuasive bit of interpretation is probably worth several routine compilations of information. (See above Recommendation #2.)

(3) "Calls to Action." This type of publication is a means of reaching the most important audience with a message that must be conveyed to them. I am, in fact, in favor of including a "call to action" ingredient in everything distributed, if it can be fitted in unobtrusively, and I favor making this ingredient quite explicit wherever this can be done without compromising the posture of objectivity.

(4) "How-to-do-it." I consider the need for materials of this kind urgent. I believe that there is at least one person lacking only the stimulus of a plan for action, for every person lacking a basic commitment to action, and the return on investment in persons of the former category is probably higher than that on investment in any other audience. It is better to bring about intelligent action on the part of one individual than it is to influence only the thinking of five persons.

RECOMMENDATIONS (for research publications)

#8 -- That the "Call to Action" approach should be taken more often in publications, with a cautionary word that great care and dignity is required in such treatment.

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For a further recommendation regarding publications, see page 17.

The utility of research publications is nil without good distribution. We shall say more about this presently but here note a conclusion, based on painful staff analysis, which is that neither Research nor New South has done as good a job as it should have in consciously relating publications to field activities.

RECOMMENDATION #10

That it become the staff responsibility of the Assistant to the Director to effect closer liaison between Research, New South, and field staff.

Efforts to keep New South's format attractive, its style lively, and its brevity refreshing are good efforts. Its high interest should not be sacrificed to a how-to-do-it handbook or a Council on Human Relations house organ. More reportorial (or, how-it-has-been-done) articles might well, however, replace some of its reflective writing. And, inasmuch as its readership could valuably be expanded, we would hope that all State Councils would make it automatically available with membership. (At present Georgia, North Carolina, and Virginia, as well as Houston, do not.)

For distribution of our publications, we depend chiefly on two things: press coverage and mailing lists. The field staff also attempts to see that field leaders are supplied with pertinent materials. But distribution is ridden with too much happenstance. We do not give sufficient attention to the field use of publications. The right thought must get to the right readership. It has been observed that we did a better job in the past when the Consultant Service Program brought much key leadership to studying our materials. At present, we do an adequate job in achieving coverage through the key press. Reaching the general public, that portion of which might be persuaded or usefully informed, via our mailing lists is impractical, and we must rely on press coverage. But we are not--and perhaps never can--doing as well as we should the tailored, selective distribution of our publications to persons who need and can use them.

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> That greater effort be made to provide (a) constant, continuous, sharpened surveillance of the mailing lists; and (b) the recognition of distribution as a combined executive and field function of highest priority.

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> That the field staff should be required, the state directors should be strongly requested, and Council Members should be encouraged, to supply names for special mailings of publications.

If the Council can interact in this way we need never be haunted by the spectre of a public relations man.

Colonel Muse's forthcoming book on school desegregation will, hopefully, have considerable value, being the first such comprehensive study of the subject. This will be the second work by him

SRC has sponsored, although the first was not published under our name, as this will be. (Present planning calls for a book to be written on the Voter Education Project, also.)

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> That we give thought to the writing or sponsoring of other books from time to time in the future, when program and scholarship uses can be combined.

VII. State Councils on Human Relations

Dean Gomillion's remarks about people is nowhere more applicable than to the State Councils on Human Relations. A great deal must be done to strengthen these groups internally if they are to realize their potential for influencing life in their communities. Their most critical need is enlarged membership.

It is apparent from their slow growth that they must strengthen themselves internally before they can realize their full potential for influencing life in their communities. As the Director of Field Activities noted in a memorandum of July 9, 1963, "the psychology which many of the Councils have promoted--a small band of good people hiring (as staff members) dedicated people at low salaries--has not been a conspicuous success." Increasing the size and the effectiveness of state and local CHR's should be a high priority goal, and a 40% increase in membership during the next year should be a reasonable aim, as well as a program priority.

We see no conflict, at this time, between emphasis on membership growth and program. We think, on the contrary, that at this time the bringing of more people into the CHR movement is program work of the highest value.

RECOMMENDATION #14

> That State Councils vigorously pursue increased membership, and that SRC assist them in doing so.

The best means of attracting active, capable members is a program which attracts them. The day has passed when sufficient cause for existence is the simple meeting together of both races. And the day is passing already when a casus belli - a local race relations crisis - is sufficient to keep a group alive and flourishing.

The South's realization of regional promise is crippled by two ills, one chronic and one acute. In the acute situations--demonstrations, school desegregation, opened lunch counters, employment breakthroughs--the CHR's have functioned as well as they could as advance guard. There follows a need for them to do sentry duty over the progress made, and to see advantage taken of gains hardly won. Children often need tutorial assistance to enter desegregated schools. Applicants need to be found and encouraged for job openings. Main library memberships need to be applied for. Desegregated swimming pools need to be kept de facto desegregated.

Chronic ills, such as school drop-outs, delinquency, lack of mental health, and other needed social services are of long duration. These are areas state Councils can work into and present the edifying, as well as satisfying, picture of Negroes and whites working together at tasks which are not highly-charged with racial overtones. A Council's effectiveness should not end with the formation of a mayor's biracial committee or the resolu-

tion of one tense and dramatic situation.

RECOMMENDATION #15

> That Councils on Human Relations reappraise their duties and broaden the scope of their activities in the community.

Almost from the beginning of its history, SRC has devoted its full time to race relations issues. This was not intended by the founders of the Council, but SRC found--as all Southerners sooner or later find--that none of the economic, political, and educational problems of the South can be overcome without first ending unjust race relations. We think SRC's concentration on civil rights and race relations should continue unabated. But SRC would be shortsighted if it did not soon broaden its research to include those problems of general social and economic concern which are, in part, caused by bad racial relations but which are not solely issues of civil rights. To do so will also support the broadened activities of the CHRs recommended above.

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Grants-in-aid to state Councils have in the past been allocated on the principle that each Council should receive roughly an equal amount of assistance, with some consideration given to the quality of each program and to local difficulties. We believe that the grants-in-aid program should be continued, but that program quality and vigor should be weighted more heavily.

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> That if funds are available beyond 1964, staff and Executive Committee put greater weight on program

quality in allocating funds.

The Fellowship of the Concerned has been an immense influence for good. Countless communities have benefited from the knowledge and inspiration furnished to their leading churchwomen by its program and they continue to benefit from it and from the personal influence of Mrs. Tilly. Our only suggestion, which is not presented with the force of a recommendation, is that the Fellowship work in closer coordination with the activities of state and local Councils on Human Relations and with other church programs.

VIII. Foreign Visitors

Numerous agencies, public and private, which sponsor foreign visitors to the United States, are placing growing reliance on the Council to receive and inform these guests. SRC is increasingly recognized by Washington and New York as being a well-equipped and authoritative clearing house for suitable interviews, tours, and plain home-cooking. During the first ten months of 1963 SRC ~~received~~ planned & carried out program for (as sponsor) 116 visitors from 26 countries, not counting those brought to us by other sponsoring groups, and not counting foreign journalists.

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extraordinary operational costs, television programming. We think few things we have been able to do have had more value per dollar.

X. Budget Implications

Recommendation #1 would require for its implementation the addition of one senior person to the research and information staff and one qualified research assistant; also secretarial services and purchase of additional research materials and aids. Altogether, this would require approximately $20,000, and is an almost unavoidable budget increase, if we are to keep abreast of the growing pace of events and change.

Recommendation #3 would require the addition of one field man devoting much of his time to travel. Salary and travel would be, depending on the qualifications of the person we were able to appoint, between $10,000-$15,000.

Recommendation #5 would represent an annual savings of $10,000. This expenditure has come, however, from the Southern Leadership Project, which is not funded beyond May, 1964. It does represent an activity of the Leadership Project which we do not need to re-finance.

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REPORT OF THE SRC SELF-EVALUATION CONSULTANT

I. INTRODUCTION

I had originally intended to preface the section of this report containing recommendations with a fairly elaborate introduction explaining my own limitations, biases and presuppositions. Since the recommendations section is so lengthy, it would be folly to carry out that intention. But I should like to state briefly the principal points I wanted to make:

(1) My perspective is conditioned by my marginal participation in the Movement. I think the burden of proof is on those who say "Don't do this!" or "Not yet!" or "Are you sure?" This factor may, of course, be more of an asset than a liability for someone reviewing the operations of the SRC; at any rate, it is something which should be acknowledged at the outset and taken into account as specific recommendations are considered by the readers of this report.

(2) I begin with the assumption that our enemy is prejudiced behavior more than it is prejudice; furthermore, I am convinced that the best way to change attitudes is to alter behavioral patterns directly. (And I am prepared to argue this case in great detail on the strength of a widely accepted body of sociological evidence.) Thus I tend to be impatient about programs which do not show results in terms

of action, of changed policies, of new rights granted regardless of "acceptance" on the part of whites.

(3) I also assume, on the other hand, that the SRC has a distinctive role to play as a storehouse of objective data and as a center for interpretive analysis. As the 1962 Annual Report asserts (p.8), the SRC can have "a full commitment to one side of an intense controversy," yet be objective. Indeed, the Council can best fulfil its commitment by being objective, for only thus can it continue to claim the respectful attention of those who mistrust the pronouncements of militant groups.

(4) I believe our prime target should be influential elites* or the "already committed," rather than a mass public without power or established commitments to integrationist goals. I accept as well a principle expressed by the Director of Field Activities in his first conversation with me, to wit, that the SRC is wise to channel most of its limited resources into situations where it appears that just a little extra pressure in the right direction will swing the balance favorably. This implies that the targets we shoot at must be selected carefully, and it

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*When the term "elite" is used in this report, it means "a group of persons who have substantial decision-making authority, or opinion-molding influence, in some particular area of American life." Some of the elites whom the SRC has endeavored to reach are school superintendents, businessmen, police chiefs, government officials, and church leaders.

fits in with the notion that we should concentrate on elites more than on a mass public.

(5) I am in no position to judge budgetary considerations, and I have made no attempt to censor my recommendations in the light of costs. I have focused my thinking on what seem to me to be ideal program possibilities; others will have to sift and realign the proposals I make on the basis of practical realities.

comprehensive data about the South. They also have enormous respect for the Executive Director personally: they feel that his dispassionate temperament, his analytical skills, and his powers of expression and persuasion have enabled him to be extraordinarily effective. These favorable attitudes were not always stated without qualification, of course, and most informants did have suggestions as to how the work of the Council might be improved. But I think it is important to begin by reporting that the stock of the SRC is very high, and that our efforts at self-evaluation are doubly important in the light of this fact. The staff has an enviable reputation to maintain, and a responsibility to exploit to the fullest the possibilities for influencing public policy and private opinion which are open to it.

Without exception, the observers with whom I have talked advise the SRC to continue to play the role it is now playing, and to maintain the posture it has traditionally adopted. This does not mean that the SRC should simply "keep on doing what it has always done," but it does mean that the fundamental orientation of the Council is sound. Some informants were of the opinion that the Council has a few blind spots because of its

identification with "the Establishment,"*
and others were just a little wary because of the avowedly integrationist intentions of the Council -- but even the most militant acknowledged that the posture of objectivity made it possible for the SRC to gain a hearing in important courts which are closed to them, and even the most conservative acknowledged the persuasiveness of the "propaganda of the facts" put forth by the SRC. I specifically asked the reaction of informants to several ideas for a new orientation that have been mentioned by friends of the Council: (a) that it should drop its tax-exempt status and become a sort of "ADA of the South"; (b) that it should concentrate all resources on very detailed and scientific research, dropping all

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*To speak of the SRC as belonging to "the Establishment" is to indicate that it is not an organization which seeks to bring about radical changes in the economic and political structures and processes characteristic of American society. It is an organization which accepts "the rules of the game" as they are defined by educated, respectable middle-class people, and which seeks to bring about change through "normal" channels of communication and influence. Another way of saying the same thing is to describe the SRC as an organization which has not lost faith in "the system" -- the existing patterns of political representation, the allocation of resources and opportunities, law enforcement, judicial procedures, etc. -- and which believes that orderly progress can best come through gradual modifications in "the system" rather than through sudden and drastic alterations in it. According to the sociology of knowledge (and the dictates of common sense about human nature), any person's vision is to some extent prescribed and limited by his position in the social structure. Middle-class persons, especially whites, tend to value orderliness and "good form" because

other activities; (c) that it should play down its regional focus and identity, becoming national in coverage, membership and activities and (d) that it should return to Howard Odum's vision of the SRC by directing attention to all kinds of social problems in the South, not just (or almost exclusively) issues pertaining to race. None of these proposals received support from any of the interviewees, nor do they from me, except that a partial endorsement of (d) is reflected in recommendation "G.2m." below (p.45).

Even if the SRC confines the scope of its operations to the racial crisis in the South, heavy new demands will be placed upon the research department and new opportunities will present themselves to the field activities department. The stepped-up pace of the crisis makes it increasingly difficult to maintain up-to-date files and insure comprehensive reports and replies to requests for information. Since, as one so often hears when asking outside observers about the Council, "no one else is doing this job," I think concentration on all aspects of civil rights in the South should continue to take

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their continued enjoyment of a comfortable position in the established order is protected by adherence to these values. Those who are outside the Establishment have blind spots of their own, including utopian illusions about the degree of justice and love possible in some putative new order. Thus we need not beat our breasts over the fact that we belong to the Establishment, nor need we apologize for wanting to protect the genuine values embodied in it. Yet we do need to be continually mindful of its shortcomings, and of our limited ability to perceive those shortcomings. And we need to appreciate and share in proper measure the anguish, the skepticism, and the impatience which non-members feel in regard to an Establishment which in so many ways excludes them from the enjoyment of their rights and opportunities as human beings.

priority over other possible interests to which the SRC might address itself. We all hope that the day is not far off when such a concentration will no longer be necessary, both because desegregation will have taken place and also because the South will have approached national norms in economic prosperity, education, public health, etc. -- but that day is not yet in sight, and it would not make sense for the SRC to spread its limited resources too thinly over an excessively broad range of interests.

We have called research SRC's basic strength, but it ~~It~~ would ~~likewise~~ be a mistake ~~for the~~ SRC to put all its eggs in the research basket, for as public awareness of the urgency of ~~the crisis~~ problems grows, so will the desire of intelligent Southerners to take an active part in dealing with it. Thus the market for new, expanded and intensified field activities is already experiencing a boom which will doubtless increase in the immediate future. ~~The~~ SRC ~~must~~ should help supply ~~not only the organizational machinery needed to harness newly awakened civic energy, but also a great deal of the know-how required to run this machinery effectively.~~ skills + services to this newly awakened civic energy.

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~~I~~ recommend, then, that the SRC continue to be a storehouse of objective information about race relations in the South, and that it simultaneously maintain and develop further its efforts to plant and nurture state and local human relations groups. There are two corollaries

that must be mentioned in this connection. The first implies a new understanding of "objectivity"; the second implies a new emphasis in field activities.

There is, I submit, some truth in the criticism voiced by several informants that SRC's objectivity is limited by its participation in the Establishment. The Council would profit, I think, from closer communication with leaders in the Movement -- and I can report that there is, on the part of some officials at SNCC/SCLC, both appreciation for SRC's help in the past and a definite desire for closer communication and cooperation with the Council. Genuine objectivity at this moment in history has three crucial implications for the SRC:

(1) In the words of the Executive Director, "We (SRC) and others like us have failed the last year or so [in that] we have not got across an understanding of the civil rights movement's penetration into the Black Belt." Despite Baldwin, Brimingham and everything else that is happening (much of which has been faithfully reported by the SRC), white people -- especially Southerners -- still do not seem to realize how close we are to the brink of anarchy and widespread bloodshed. Objectivity demands that the SRC "cry havoc" in a louder and clearer voice, and because of its reputation as a safe, sane and sober dispenser of plain truth, the SRC is in a position to be heard on this point. If the SRC prophesies about the

grave consequences of continued recalcitrance, the people who discount what they read in Newsweek and other Yankee sources -- the same people who are still conforting their complacency by complaining, "Look how much we've given them!" -- may sit up and take notice.

It might be argued that crying havoc is a dangerous tactic: the cry might become a self-fulling prophecy. I think the Executive Director is right in remarking that there has been too much irresponsible bandying about of the concepts "hatred" and "revolution" in recent months. But that is all the more reason why the SRC needs to present a balanced assessment of the Negro mood in the South, an assessment which warns of the explosive pressures building up without exaggerating them or drawing from them hysterical conclusions. An accurate assessment of Negro determination and white recalcitrance in the southern states would be an important service to the nation, and so would an up-to-the-minute analysis of the conditions and practices which limit the opportunities of people in the South, "poor whites" as well as Negroes.

I cannot resist recounting here an anecdote which supports my point. Howard K. Smith, in a program evaluating the Kennedy Administration, concluded that the President had been a little too cool, a little too pragmatic, a little too hesitant to take aggressive action in domestic affairs without a popular consensus behind him. To

illustrate the fact that such excessive reserve had always characterized Kennedy, he quoted a passage from WHY ENGLAND SLEPT in which the young author prefaced a grim paragraph with the words, "I do not want to be an alarmist, but...." Commented Smith, "What would have been so bad about being an alarmist in 1940?" I am suggesting that the SRC should be more realistically alarmist in 1963.

(2) The SRC cannot be objective about the Movement without taking fully into account certain variables which middle-class whites often underestimate. When a protest action of some sort is undertaken, its effect upon the specific target (a businessman, a mayor, an employer) is not the only relevant consideration. Its effect upon national opinion, national policy-makers and the Negro community, both local and national, are also important variables, and some informants maintain that SRC/CHR representatives, despite their unquestioned good intentions, have not always been sufficiently aware of them. I am Not arguing that we should meekly approve everything Negro militants do, but I arguing that all pertinent factors must be ground into the computer before a valid estimate can be made of the worthwhileness of any action. Closer communication would increase both our ability to make such calculations, and the willingness of Negro leaders to listen to our misgivings when we have them.

(3) In many crisis situations in southern localities, members of the white power strucutre refuse to negotiate

officially with Negro militants. In such situations, the services of a mediator acceptable to whites and trusted by Negroes are invaluable. The Director of Field Activities is doubtless correct in contending that outsiders, including SRC negotiators, may sometimes get in the way rather than help, and that reports of services rendered on quick visits to a city in crisis by outsiders often need to be taken with a grain of salt. It is nevertheless true that SNCC/SCLC personnel would welcome greater help, and consistent offers of help, from SRC/CHR personnel in situations where they cannot capitalize upon the crisis they have created without the assistance of a third-party mediator. According to the comments of one state CHR Director, it is also true that an outsider from the SRC is frequently more acceptable as a negotiator than the local or state CHR officials. Undue modesty or reserve should not prevent SRC/CHR agents from performing this vital function. Pride is a less deadly vice than sloth or unimaginativeness.

The second corollary of my remarks concerning the general orientation of the SRC is this: in some publications, and especially in field activities, the Council should place greater stress on "how-to-do-it" information and instruction. Although the mass audience and members of some elites still have to be made aware of the existence of problems, and of the need to discuss

them honestly with Negroes, there are now in most communities a nucleus of "already convinced" liberals who are ready and eager to move beyond the "let's sit down and talk about it" stage. What these persons need is detailed advice about effecting change in this or that concrete area of community life. They need counsel regarding strategy and tactics, and the SRC ought to supply them with this sort of assistance; indeed, it has already done so in the matter of school desegregation and, to a lesser extent, lunch counter desegregation. A high priority ought to be given to the intensification and expansion of efforts to provide guidance of this kind.

B. Influencing Various Elites.

1. Informal influences.

Many observers declare that the influence exerted by informal, unstructured activities of staff and Council members is of the utmost significance. Parties which bring together important opinion-molders and decision-makers, casual conversations with journalists and publishers, phone calls and letters to government officials and intergroup relations experts -- such activities furnish unparalleled opportunities for influencing the policies adopted by high-ranking "gatekeepers." The SRC ought to be very self-conscious about these opportunities, and it should exploit them vigorously. Doing so obviously

requires great finesse, but I believe the great prestige of the Council will allow it to seize the initiative in approaching all kinds of elite leaders about all kinds of matters. I believe, for example, that the Executive Director is in a position to gain the respectful attention of the highest officials in the federal government, and of some state officials, and I would like to see him embark upon a tour of Washington agencies and state capitols for the purpose of making a deliberate (though behind-the-scenes) attempt to mold their policies. By presenting officials with the latest facts about conditions in the South, plus his interpretation of these facts, he might accomplish more than any number of publications could accomplish.* If staff members can bring together at gatherings in their homes important persons who will mutually reinforce one another in accelerating progress, let the budget make provisions for helping

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*Staff discussion of the preliminary draft of this report included many expressions of skepticism about this proposal, particularly the suggestion that officials of the national government be subjected to unsolicited visits. It was argued that a tour of the kind suggested here would (1) border on lobbying, (2) take up too much of the Executive Director's time, and (3) violate "good form," and thus endanger the Council's prestige by attempting to exploit it too crudely. I do not regard these criticisms as compelling, for I think that the present Executive Director has the judgment and the savoir faire to carry out this activity without causing any of the feared adverse consequences. I remind the readers of this report that, according to several staff officials, the effectiveness of similar visits by Col. Muse exceeded all prior expectations and turned out to be, in fact, one of the finest programs ever sponsored by the Council. Perhaps the same results could be obtained, in some cases, by having the message delivered by prominent members of the SRC instead of by the Executive Director. At any rate, I think the proposal has merit, and I hope it will receive serious consideration by the Executive Committee.

them set up gatherings intended to accomplish this purpose. If staff members can influence the thinking of prominent citizens by simply "being around" when the members of some opinion-making elite are discussing a matter which can be determined by them, let the staff make every effort to be on hand at such occasions. (I am told, for example, that an analysis of the Administration's civil rights bill given by a staff member at an informal gathering in Atlanta resulted in letters being written to Congressmen and leaders of civil rights organizations by some of the people who heard this analysis. These letters may have been partly responsible for subsequent attacks upon the weaknesses of the Administration bill by the men to whom they were written.)

2. Formal influences.

a. A newspaperman told me that responsible southern editors need and welcome as much up-to-date information as they can get regarding successful desegregation in other communities, and they appreciate very greatly the materials of this kind now being sent to them by the SRC. These "success stories" help them write editorials designed to convince their readers <u>that</u> desegregation can be smoothly accomplished, and explain <u>how</u> it can be done. So L-reports and press releases supplying reassuring information and pointing out reassuring precedents in the desegregation process should be continued.

When the news reports show that a transition is about to be made in important bell-wether cities, perhaps the relevant printed materials should be sent again to the local editor, and supplemented by a letter offering special data and consultation if requested.

b. In connection with the tour of state capitols recommended above, it might be useful to prepare special reports on the state/municipal executive and civil rights similar to the ones on federal executive action which received so much acclaim two years ago. These reports would be a valuable aid to public officials of good will, and they would render less credible the complaints of irresponsible officials that they do not know what is expected of them, or how to fulfill these expectations.

c. The mailing lists for various elites need to be checked thoroughly and reviewed in the light of a response analysis evaluating the impact of SRC publications on their recipients. My content analysis of L-reports and other publications leads me to believe that this impact <u>ought</u> to be substantial, for the quality of the materials is excellent -- but I don't see how the Council can be sure that the expenditure involved is justified without a response analysis. Material which strikes us as being quite persuasive might not affect readers in the same way; furthermore, we cannot be sure that the materials are even being read, for very few letters of

acknowledgement and appreciation have been received. One of Colonel Muse's field reports notes that only one reference to an L-report had ever been made by the informants visited by him up to that time. Since a staff discussion on distribution has just been held, in which most of my ideas about reviewing the mailing lists were voiced and several promising decisions were made, I am not going into further detail on this point unless the Executive Director wants the matters covered in that staff discussion to be entered here as a part of the record of the self-evaluation process. One item not covered in the staff discussion however, seems worthy of inclusion. One of the businessmen of Atlanta with whom I talked offered to supply the SRC with a list of the men in this city who, in his opinion, are currently weighing decisive changes in policy, or who are in a position to influence others soon to be faced with similar decisions. I wonder if it is possible to find equally qualified informants in all fields affected by desegregation in most of the principal cities of the South. It strikes me that a list supplied by an insider is likely to be far more valuable than a list compiled from Moody's and other impersonal sources. The time demands posed by such an attempt might be so great as to make it impracticable -- but the benefits derived from revising the mailing lists in this fashion might be very great indeed. The lists

might become simultaneously smaller and more inclusive of key contacts as a result of assistance from reliable insiders.

I would propose that decisions about the mailing lists be made in the light of the following principles:

1) We ought to be able to arrive at some percentage figure which could be used to determine whether or not mailings justify their cost. If a response analysis indicates that only 10% of the recipients read L-reports, perhaps they should be eliminated. Or if certain types of reports are not being read, they might well be eliminated. But 20% readership might be enough to justify continued mailings if the response from this 20% is very favorable. These decisions must be made in the light of total expenses, overall assignment of priorities and other variables which only the most experienced officials of the SRC can evaluate.

2) If cost is a decisive limiting factor, getting one good document into the hands of a large audience which can be expected to read it should be rated as more effective than getting two good documents into the hands of a smaller audience. This principle is based upon the assumption that unit costs for distribution are far less than unit costs for publication; therefore, it may be more relevant to printed than to mimeographed materials.

To illustrate: assuming that L-reports are read by enough recipients to justify distribution, it would be better to send L-44 ("Charlotte Has Built Its Integration Road") to 1,000 mayors and Chamber of Commerce heads than it would be to send both L-44 and L-43 ("Businessmen Point the Way") to 500 members of this audience.

d. I wonder if it might not be valuable to have occasional press conferences to supplement information contained in releases about matters of particular importance. These conferences should serve to insure better coverage in media other than the press, and to increase the likelihood that accounts in all media are given the desired slant. This recommendation is just one more manifestation of my conviction that the SRC has more prestige than it realizes, and that it ought to make the most of it, now. I am cognizant of the fact that this high prestige could be hurt by apparent attempts to "get the headlines" too frequently, and I acknowledge the cogency of staff objections to this proposal -- but I do not think there is much danger that present staff personnel will misuse the device of the press conference, and I believe this device can be utilized to great advantage if utilized judiciously.

e. The Southern Leadership Project should be continued, and the services given by consultants should embrace the following concerns:

1) One of the most troublesome impediments to progress is the lack of qualified Negro leadership on the local level. Local leaders may be able to stir up a fuss, but they are often unable to sustain it or capitalize on it. The SRC could kill two birds with one stone by having a consultant who possessed the capability of instructing Negro leaders in smaller cities (Danville, Burlington, Spartanburg, etc.) in the secrets of successful bargaining for desegregation. Concrete gains would result in cities where the instruction was absorbed, and the liaison with Negro leaders would be strengthened.

2) The full-time services of an expert in the formation and operation of local biracial committees should be secured immediately. Whether the Administration's civil rights bill passes or not, the pressure for desegregation of public accommodations, for equal opportunity in employment and housing, and for voting rights is going to increase, and there will be an almost desperate need for biracial committees in cities all over the South. The establishment of these mechanisms for the attainment of orderly progress should be a fundamental goal of the SRC.

3) I also hope that a man of the stature of Benjamin Muse will resume talks with leading public officials in many states.

f. The SRC ought to explore additional possibilities of coordinating its work with that of denominational

human relations workers in reaching churchmen. There is tremendous emphasis on racial justice in church circles these days, and it ought to be possible for the SRC to conduct seminars that will equip church agents with the tools they need to effect many desirable changes in the thinking and behavior of churchgoers in the South. Judging from Elbert Jean's reports, and from conversations with seminary officials in Atlanta, I am persuaded that his seminars in theological schools are more valuable than his visits with rural ministers. I recommend that the former program be continued; the latter, dropped.

g. I end with a relatively low-priority suggestion, namely, that the SRC make additional efforts to influence college students. Even if this involves some duplication of NSA endeavors, it still might be worthwhile because of the more objective image of the SRC. I call this a low priority recommendation simply because I feel it is more urgent to influence the leaders of today than the leaders of tomorrow -- but I think that the SRC might expand its influence on this youthful elite by sponsoring campus conferences, or sending good speakers to southern campuses to stem the conservative tides rising there. There is certainly a need for some respectable and responsible group, such as the SRC, to preach the civil rights gospel on southern campuses, for an astonishingly large number of graduates are ignorant of, misunderstand, and/or react against the Movement and changes being wrought by it.

C. Strengthening the Faithful.

Some of the Council's programs and publications are directed at an audience which stands between the elites and the general public, an audience which is already sympathetic to the cause and involved in varying degrees in fighting the good fight. Included in this category are NEW SOUTH, the SRC NEWSLETTER, and internally directed field activities, and the Fellowship of the Concerned.

1. NEW SOUTH.

NEW SOUTH has always been a fine periodical, and in my opinion it is better than ever under its new editor. Its format is attractive, its style is lively, and its brevity is refreshing. Some readers would like it to be longer; others find the style too sophisticated for the common man -- but I cannot agree with either of these criticisms. Too many serious periodicals never get read, or get read only in part, because their size is too formidable; consequently, I think the length of NEW SOUTH is an asset rather than a liability. As for style, I believe it would be a mistake to cut out the sophistication and the sparkle which make the magazine so eminently readable.

I do want to raise a question about the content of NEW SOUTH, though. As the content analysis given in Appendix I reveals, a great deal of space is given to reflections on the historical and philosophical aspects

of the southern dilemma. No one enjoys these articles more than I do, and I have nothing but praise for their high quality. But I wonder if they represent the best possible use of the limited space available in NEW SOUTH. I wonder if articles of this kind are really needed to reinforce the dedication of those who are already convinced. I wonder if the space should not be devoted to articles that show the already convinced some specific need for action, or tell them how to meet specific needs of which they are aware. Let it be understood that I am not proposing the elimination of historical-philosophical articles; I am merely suggesting that less linage be given to them, and more to articles on sharply defined aspects of the crisis (as in the May, 1962 issue). Let me admit that I may underestimate the extent to which embattled liberals in the Deep South need to be encouraged by nonutilitarian reflections on the great sweep of history and the ambiguities of the human condition. And let me report that informants were divided on the point: a majority held a viewpoint similar to mine, but an enthusiastic minority wanted to keep NEW SOUTH just as it is.

2. SRC NEWSLETTER.

The first draft of this report contained some rather biting comments concerning the NEWSLETTER. I deplored the absence of "meaty" content in it, and I attacked what struck me as the Sunday School cheeriness of its

style. I still think the NEWSLETTER should be more than a potpourri of news and chit-chat; however, staff discussion convinced me that I was wrong in thinking that it should be an SRC counterpart of the ADA LEGISLATIVE NEWSLETTER. My second thoughts on the matter are these:

a. Let the NEWSLETTER be a house organ devoted to the function of enhancing the esprit de corps of CHR leaders. Keep the tone casual, even cheerful, and include lots of newsy items about CHR personalities, what other groups are doing, what articles are worth reading and TV shows worth seeing, etc.

b. But make certain that through other channels the SRC does supply CHR leaders with the weighty analysis and instruction which they need in order to do their job properly. I am told that such materials do go out frequently in periodic mailings, and that high-level instruction takes place at the annual conference of CHR leaders. But I believe there should be a regularly scheduled mailing of material which builds cumulative knowledge of conditions, trends, strategy and tactics according to a systematic assessment of needs, opportunities, and priorities made by the Director of Field Activities.

3. Internally-directed field activities (i.e., those which are designed to nourish the CHR's and the members, rather than to influence outsiders).

lest the methods used to accomplish this objective prove self-defeating. Specifically, I believe the day is past when it is enough for a CHR to exist simply as a meeting ground where people of both races come to talk things over, and if this is the way the CHR is presented to prospective members, I'm not at all certain we will get the caliber persons we want as new members. To say this may be to underestimate the value of simply establishing lines of communication or the difficulty of recruiting, nor is it to deny that increasing the membership is a valid program in its own right. But I contend that it would be far better to have a dedicated, sophisticated cadre of activists than an impressively large group of persons who are primarily talkers.

What I am proposing is that the Council adopt a self-conscious policy of always doing more than merely "getting folks together." I am proposing that each CHR be instructed to look always for things to be done, not talked about, and that interested citizens be mobilized on the basis of attacking a specific evil. Then, having drawn them into an active program and had them working with Negroes or other people they might not normally have associated with, the HRC leaders are in a position to ask them to continue working with the HRC on other programs of similar worth.

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This theory applies to the "Committees of 12" proposal, too. I think it is an intriguing proposal, and I should like to see it carried out somewhere on a small scale to see how it works out. But I am afraid that trying to cover all aspects of the problem of race relations, as the proposal now has it, would fragment energy and result in more talk without action; consequently, I would prefer to see the groups formed around one issue, which they would try to affect substantially.

b. Guidance.

1) Conferences. The Director of Field Activities has mentioned an idea which I should like to pass along, namely, a consolidation of some state conferences. In cases where distances are not too great, and where problems in adjacent states are smiliar, it might be economical, and also more enriching to participants, to hold joint conferences. It might even be worthwhile, although it would not be economical, to experiment with region-wide conferences on one theme of especial importance (for example, a conference on the implications of any new federal legislation that might be enacted this year). A region-wide, single-theme conference would focus attention on some matter of particular urgency, and it would offer an opportunity to deal with that matter in depth. (Once again, you

see, I come back to my concern that CHR's should be a fighting band of shrewd guerrillas rather than a congregation of amiable folks with good intentions but little savvy. In my view, one sophisticated promoter of change is worth five people who are merely ready for change if and when someone else initiates it.)

2) Instruction on how to organize files, information to seek, etc. One of the state HRC directors has expressed a desire for more help of this kind, and supplying it might be a chance for the SRC to do well by doing good. Research personnel complain that information received from CHR people is often unreliable or not pertinent, so they should welcome an opportunity to tell CHR staff members what information to file, how to check it, how to classify it, and when to feed it into the Atlanta office.

3) Instruction in strategy and tactics. This is an absolutely <u>top priority item</u>, and I hope materials like the pamphlet by Mrs. Robin receive prompt publication and wide distribution. I do not need to reiterate what I have said earlier about the prime importance of giving the already convinced a "handle" of technical know-how, with which they can grab hold and begin to turn the wheels of policy in the cities where they live.

c. "Hand-holding" operations. The Director of Field Activities asserts that one of his most important

functions on trips to crisis situations is simply to comfort and reassure embattled liberals who are being assaulted on every hand. Some state directors complain that the liberals are isolated from one another. In the light of both of these reports, it seems desirable to hunt for some way of systematizing and expanding this process of notification and encouragement. Surely everyone concerned is aware of this; all I need do is emphasize the importance of being continually sensitive to it. The only practicable means of implementing this idea is, I suppose, through letters, phone calls and conversations in the field. It did occur to me that lists of reliable liberals in given geographical areas and occupational fields might be prepared and circulated, but I'm not sure that the advantages of this approach outweigh the dangers. Certainly the SRC office should have such lists on file -- and in writing, not just in the heads of staff persons (because they are too frequently out of the office).

The Fellowship of the Concerned.

No aspect of the work of the SRC has a more illustrious history than the Fellowship of the Concerned. At a time when government officials, ministers, and virtually all other civic leaders in the South and the nation were either silent or downright vicious in their pronouncements on the question of human rights, this

heroic band of ladies was a prophetic voice crying in the wilderness of injustice and brutality. It would be impossible to calculate the influence for good exerted by the Fellowship through its conferences and publications. Countless communities have benefitted from the knowledge and inspiration furnished to their leading churchwomen by the program of the Fellowship, and they continue to benefit from this program and from the personal influence of Mrs. M. E. Tilly, Director of the Fellowship.

My only suggestion in regard to the Fellowship is that its work be more closely coordinated with the activities of state and local CHR's, and with other church programs in human relations. Closer cooperation with Will Campbell, who is now Executive Secretary of the Fellowship of Southern Churchmen, and with Elbert Jean, whose work with the Department of Racial and Cultural Relations of the National Council of Churches has SRC support, might be especially fruitful.

D. Reaching the Mass Public.

1. Through the press.

The SRC has an enviable rapport with many newspapermen, and this, as much as any other single thing, is the secret of its success. I have no recommendation to make in this connection, except to urge that the mailing list of editors be scrutinized carefully and, if possible,

expanded. It may well be that editors who were previously unwilling to take stock in SRC pronouncements are now quite receptive; indeed, one editor said as much, declaring that it was not until three years ago that he paid any attention to the SRC. The time may be ripe for an exploratory letter to all newspapers of any size in the South, stating what services are available and asking if they are interested in receiving these.

2. Through the other mass media.

The new FCC ruling on equal time for all minority groups may offer a new opportunity for talks and other programs giving the civilized viewpoints on race. The SRC might do well to prepare materials suitable for such presentations and make known their availability. When Ralph McGill, visited Yale two years ago, he asserted that the SRC-sponsored TV shows on school desegregation were very influential. The potential impact of anything on TV is, of course, spectacular, and it is probable that several foundations stand ready to put up the substantial sums which would be required to produce a series of TV films on various aspects of desegregation. One of my informants felt that there was an imperative need for a good half-hour film on intimidation and violence in the South, and he thought that SRC was just the organization to produce such a film. A similar proposal is that SRC step up its efforts to encourage the distribution throughout

the South of some of the best documentaries on civil rights that have been shown by the networks in recent years.

3. Through books.

If Colonel Muse's forthcoming work on school desegregation is well received, the Council might promote similar ventures on other subjects. I am inclined to feel that shorter manuscripts produce a greater return per unit cost, but it would be good for the staff to be on the lookout for exceptionally good manuscripts.

E. Externally-Directed Field Activities of the State/Local CHR's

Since I have already discussed the Southern Leadership Project under another rubric, I will not deal with that aspect of field activities here. I should like to lay stress, however, on my conviction that the Leadership Project is one of the most important programs of the SRC, and I do hope its consultant services can be broadened in the manner suggested above. I should also like to stress by reiteration my recommendation that lists of true liberals, moderates and enemies in various communities be compiled by area and by vocation from the reports of these consultants. Intimate knowledge regarding local leaders must be of incalculable value to CHR people involved in handling or promoting a crisis.

1. Information regarding legislation and legislators.

It is my understanding that the SRC cannot do any direct lobbying, but that it can furnish CHR members with information about pending legislation, the need for additional legislation not yet proposed, advice on how to approach lawmakers, etc. If that understanding is correct, I recommend that a good deal of emphasis be put upon this endeavor.

2. "Focused" community education.

I was very much impressed by what the Director of Field Activities told me about the growth often experienced by citizens who participate in a community campaign to eliminate some particular type of segregation, or to make possible a smooth transition of some kind. Persons who begin in a "Save Our Schools" campaign with a bare "law and order" position (and with great suspicion of anyone from the SRC!) frequently end by joining the CHR, and by becoming fairly aggressive liberals.

This being so, CHR's should give preference to action projects which involve equal-status contacts between Negroes and whites, and which serve to deepen the awareness and commitment of participants as they are working together in some common task. It follows, too, that responsibilities should be assigned in such a way that the persons involved are confronted with

situations which are new to them and thrown with persons of the other race. These maxims tie in with the theory that good members come most reliably from good programs, and that it is wiser to appeal for support of a concrete community action than to appeal for support in general.

3. Liaison with other similar groups.

All that I have said above about the need for communication with leaders of the Movement could be repeated here. Programs should also be coordinated with the efforts of other agency personnel, and with whatever worthwhile civil rights activities may spring up in the churches as a result of the recent shaking of the ecclesiastical foundations in regard to race.

I recommend, in particular, that the SRC continue to function as the Secretariat of the Southern Interagency Conference. By acting as a channel of communication and as an adjudicator of interagency disputes, actual or potential, the Council has performed a notable service in this capacity.

4. State research assistant.

One of the state directors, in complaining about the impossibility of maintaining up-to-date research files on state matters, set me thinking about the possibility of establishing the position of research assistant in the best state CHR's. What about setting aside some funds

for the experimental hiring of two full-time research assistants for two state staffs? These agents would be responsible for keeping up on everything in civil rights happening in their states, and they would feed this information both to the state CHR director (for programming purposes) and to the SRC Research Department (for informational purposes). The concern which motivates this perhaps impractical proposal is twofold: (1) I worry about the SRC Research Department being so largely dependent on newspaper clips and other printed materials. This leaves us woefully in the dark about much that never appears in the papers, and about a lot of inside dope which even the best news stories seldom include. (2) It is important to increase the reliability of feedback from CHR's to the SRC, and the appointment of research persons in two states would certainly impress all CHR staffs with SRC's desire for this.

An alternative proposal: appoint one "roving researcher" to the SRC department, or one additional field activities agent, and send him out to investigate from a <u>research perspective</u> any situations of particular importance. (This would not represent a duplication of effort: the Director of Field Activities must always have his mind focused on program aims, and does not have time to study situations as well as influence the course they are taking.) Information gathered and analyzed by

a roving researcher might enable the SRC to make a very important contribution to knowledge about social change. The academic interest might not weigh heavily with SRC members -- but it might with some foundation heads who want to make sure that important books emerge from the projects they finance. You could guarantee them that a book based on experience of this kind would be important.

5. The Director of Field Activities asserts that an increase in field contingency funds and travel allowances is needed, and in view of the importance of this part of the Council's work, I commend his request to the attention of the Executive Committee.

F. Acting in Crisis Situations.

A special category is devoted to this subject because of the likelihood that we shall have a multitude of crises on every hand during the next few years. There are three distinct roles being performed by the SRC and SRC personnel which should be continued and expanded: mediation, collection of information, and interpretation.

1. Mediation.

This subject has been treated in an earlier paragraph, and I have nothing to add except an appeal to consider carefully the possible usefulness of SRC in this role. I know that some staff members are inclined to be skeptical, but I beg them to reconsider

in light of the requests for assistance in negotiating mentioned above.

2. Information.

Several varieties of information are helpful to protesters and negotiators in a crisis. A timely note on successful desegregation elsewhere, a phone call notifying proper authorities of violations of the law, an assessment of Negro registration or buying power in a given city -- these are just a few of the many examples that could be cited of data which the SRC could put into the hands of the proper persons, with possibly decisive effect. CHR leaders in several cities have been asked to supply such information to municipal human relations commissions and to protest leaders.

3. Interpretation.

Several staff members think that prompt interpretations of the meaning of dramatic events -- the sit-ins and the freedom rides, for example -- are among the most valuable contributions ever made by the SRC. The theory is that a speedy interpretation crystalizes public thinking about matters which have not yet been perceived in the proper context. If this is true, then it is of the utmost importance that the Council should maintain the capability of making such interpretations, and be ever alert to occasions calling for such prompt interpretive comment.

G. Hospitality to Foreign Visitors.

One of the fruits of the growing prestige of the Council is a growing reliance upon it by numerous agencies, public and private, which are responsible for foreign visitors in the United States. It has become a common practice for these agencies to route foreigners travelling through the South to the SRC. Judging from the letters of appreciation and commendation received from these visitors and from the persons who send them here, the staff is doing a superb job of answering their questions about the South, arranging appointments with important Southerners for them, and according them a measure of southern hospitality. My only recommendation regarding this program is that the Council should request financial assistance from the State Department as fair payment for the large investment of staff time required in the performance of this service.

H. Research

1. General Considerations.

The Research Department has traditionally been, and still is, the heart of the SRC. When, in response to a question about "the most important operation of the Council," the Executive Director remarked, "The most important thing we do is just to be here," he must have been thinking of the research files, the publications based on them, and the calls made upon them every day by countless individuals and organizations. Yet I have the impression that no one has ever worked out a conscious policy for research, a policy which would guide the selection of topics to be investigated, sources to be consulted, and publications or distributions to be made. That may, of course, be a very good thing: it may have insured a wholesome flexibility that is one of the secrets of the success of SRC research activities. But I believe that suggestions regarding policy in this department, and the thinking stimulated by them, will be more valuable than any of the concrete proposals for research which will be made below.

Most of the materials printed or disseminated by the SRC can be classified under one of four principal categories: informational materials, interpretive analyses, calls to action and "how-to-do-it" materials. There is some overlapping, but it is important to be aware of these four, of the audience to which each type of reading

2. Specific recommendations for research.

a) More follow-up studies on the implementation of laws, executive policies and judicial decisions regarding desegregation. A praiseworthy example is the special report on the President's Committee on Equal Employment Opportunity in the Atlanta area. Other subjects which might be treated are: protection of registrants and registration campaign workers, Governor Sanford's program for equal employment opportunity in North Carolina, implementation of the Executive Order in housing in the South, etc.

b) More dramatic publicity on violence and intimidation, publicity like that included in a 1959 pamphlet and a March, 1963 press release on this subject. Middle-class intellectuals are entirely too reluctant to make appeals to the emotions in some matters concerning which we ought to feel a sense of moral outrage and of desperation that something be done.

c) A thorough study of "the Negro mood" in the South, plus an explanation of the reasons for this mood. (See pp. 6-8 of this draft.) This might include a section on the growth, or lack of growth, of the Black Muslims in the South, and what this means.

d) A pamphlet proclaiming that prejudiced behavior

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rather than prejudice is the crucial problem in race relations. This would be nothing original--B'nai B'rith has a superb pamphlet on it by Raab and Lipset, since reprinted in AMERICAN RACE RELATIONS TODAY--but a version written especially for Southerners would be a boon. It would help clarify, for instance, a point on which many Southerners are confused, i.e., the obligation to grant rights whether or not acceptance is immediately forthcoming. It might also reiterate the well-established social-psychological principle that the bark of the professed segregationist is much worse than his bite. (See Tumin's study of Guilford County, N.C., DESEGREGATION: RESISTANCE AND READINESS.)

e) A special report on "What Foreign Visitors Ask About and Criticize in the South."

f) Follow-up reports on settlements made as a result of the recent wave of demonstrations. Will things really improve in Birmingham, Cambridge, Savannah, etc.? Where will they, and why, or where will they not, and why not? What kinds of biracial committees prove to be lasting assets, and under what circumstances do they prove to be nothing but temporary palliatives? Etc....

g) How-to-do-it pamphlets dealing with various aspects of desegregation. It might be wise to

split the Robin manuscript into separate pamphlets, according to the issue being dealt with, although if it is really good there is an advantage in having people get the full treatment in one volume. According to a letter of May 20th in the correspondence of the Director of Field Activities, there is as yet no adequate pamphlet on the ways and means of establishing a local CHR--so there's another specific item that deserves a high priority.

h) An interpretive report on "Civil Rights 1963" at the end of the year. This is unquestionably a year of major breakthroughs in the struggle for racial justice, and a comment on the extent of the forward thrust and the distance yet to be covered would be read with great interest by people in all parts of the country.

i) "Success stories" about Negro employees, students, homeowners, hotel patrons, etc., who have been assimilated into previously white situations. These accounts of successful integration in other parts of the South help to allay fears about the effects of desegregation.

j) More studies by local CHR's pinpointing and documenting inequities in their communities (such as the studies of employment in Miami, Chattanooga, Houston, and Atlanta). Such studies offer an

excellent occasion for the involvement of previously unconcerned local citizens in CHR activities.

k) A new, comprehensive, attractive summary of the history and purpose of the SRC (to replace L-1), with provisions for including periodically updated lists of available publications.

l) Special reports on the state/municipal executive and civil rights.

m) Occasional pieces on problems in the South not directly, or exclusively, concerned with race, yet related to it. Studies on urban problems, low-income housing, public assistance, unemployment, population control and a number of other topics could perhaps give us a beachhead with persons who think we're fanatical on the race issue, and at the same time illuminate crucial problems which do have a bearing on the welfare of our Negro citizens.

3. Procedures.

Research services might be improved by better coverage of sources containing illuminating articles on civil rights matters:

a. Better coverage of Negro newspapers.

b. Better coverage of scholarly and trade journals. I think this could be implemented without cost by getting in touch with some of the SRC's many admirers :

in various fields and persuading them to make themselves personally responsible for notifying the Research Department of any useful articles they discover in reading the journals they normally read anyhow. I would be more than happy to be responsible for several religious periodicals. I know Jim Laue would do the same for sociological journals, and I'm sure you could find other "scouts" in the business world, labor, political science, etc.

H. Office Efficiency and Staffing.

1. An additional person in the Research Department.

If the research files of the SRC are not comprehensive, or if requests for information cannot be answered immediately and accurately, all is lost. The great prestige of the Council could be seriously injured overnight if even a few false steps are made here. Without the help of a volunteer worker this summer, research personnel might have been already swamped by the mounting deluge of press clips and requests for information. I am no authority on the division of labor or working efficiency, but it seems clear to me that the librarian needs to have his time protected against <u>all</u> responsibilities which distract him from his primary task of clipping and filing incoming materials. I don't think he should ever be bothered with a phone call. Another research person needs to be protected to almost the same degree in keeping "running accounts" on the status of desegregation and imminent desegregation in all kinds of facilities. Incoming requests could then be answered easily without someone's having to drop all routine responsibilities and work frantically on some tight-deadline inquiry. I can't make a precise recommendation along this line, but I do consider it extremely important that research should

have another full-time person.

2. A half-door at the entrance to the Research Department.

This simple expedient would prevent random visitors from wandering back into the library and interfering with the work of its harried inhabitants.

3. Placing the reception desk outside the main working space.

It is terribly distracting to hear, and be tempted to meet, every person who comes into the office. Would it not be feasible to put the reception desk opposite the elevator, or in the conference room (with a wall separating the conference room entrance from the main office space), so that visitors could be greeted out of earshot?

4. A more carefully thought out policy for determining which conferences, speaking engagements and other outside demands on staff time are really worthy of the investment of SRC resources.

This is a delicate matter. The Council, and individual staff members, must keep in mind the necessity of maintaining good will by helping friends whenever possible. But if these friends are mature, they should certainly realize that every request for a speaker or participation in a conference cannot be honored. I have heard various staff personnel voice

irritation at having to appear at gatherings they regarded as relatively pointless. It might enable them to say "No" more diplomatically if the Council had a policy on this which could be cited as a reason for refusing. But this recommendation perhaps typifies what could be the root fallacy of this entire report: its attempt to impose a neat but superficial rational order on something which may work best by experienced intuition.

J. Relationship Between Staff and Council Members.

When the present Executive Director assumed this post, he sent out a letter to all members of the Council requesting "re-emphasis of the founding idea of the Council, as an active body of southern liberals, involving themselves directly in the planning, fulfillment, and evaluation of programs." In subsequent correspondence, and in conversation with me, he has often reiterated his conviction that the SRC cannot operate with maximum effectiveness unless staff does have the benefit of imaginative suggestions and alert criticism from Council members. I should like to record my hope that the Executive Director's thinking on this point will be widely accepted, and acted on, by Council members. Staff inevitably

becomes absorbed in the formulation and implementation of programs; it has little time or energy left over for critical evaluation of policy or the development of fresh ideas. There is always the danger, moreover, that the organization will lose the services of key staff members suddenly and unexpectedly--and if Council members are not familiar enough with present policy and operating procedures to insure the smooth initiation of new staff officials, the work of the organization might be hurt severely. So I urge the members of the Council to take seriously the Executive Director's desire that their contribution not be limited to the prestige of their names and their participation in the annual meeting.

APPENDIX I

A Content Analysis of NEW SOUTH Since July, 1961

Topic	Number of Articles/Editorials Devoted to It
Philosophical-Historical Reflections on the Southern Dilemma	15/1 = 16
Comments on a Current Crisis	8/5 = 13
The Negro Mood	6/3 = 9
Human Interest Stories About Individuals	1/5 = 6
The Churches' Responsibility in Race Relations	3/2 = 5
School Desegregation	4/0 = 4
Intimidation and Violence	4/0 = 4
Attack on Southern Shibboleths	0/3 = 3
Race Relations and Police/Courts	3/0 = 3
Accounts of Successful Desegregation	2/0 = 2
Interpretations of White Reaction to the Revolt	1/1 = 2
The Economic Aspects of Discrimination	2/0 = 2

Other topics treated once: The Theory of Race, Desegregation in Higher Education, The Concept of the "Power Structure," Non-Negro Minorities, and several other subjects that are difficult to classify.

N.B.: In making this content analysis, I was especially interested in discovering any "counter-suggestion cues" (statements in which the ostensible message is undercut by the mode in which it is presented -- as, for example, the concept of a Holy God of love is vitiated by referring to Him as "a livin' doll"), because these unfortunate "slips" are often found in the literature on prejudice and discrimination. I could find only three in the twenty issues examined; I think this is a pretty good batting average.

APPENDIX II

Suggestions for New Program Emphases Received From SRC/CHR Leaders

When the Self-Evaluation Study was initiated, all members of the Council and all Directors of State Councils on Human Relations were invited to send us their comments. The following excerpts from their letters of response contain the principal recommendations submitted by them. (Suggestions are listed in the order established by the outline of the report.)

A. General Orientation of the SRC.

--Ben Muse: The name, "Southern Regional Council" suggests a broader field than race, but we are, in fact, concerned exclusively with the race problem. In the past four months that has become emphatically a <u>national</u> problem. I see a crying need for an organization performing the function that we perform in the South <u>nation-wide</u> -- an organization of dignity and responsibility, respected for the thoroughness and accuracy of its information, not engaging in demonstrations, avoiding polemic, but speaking in

measured tones and providing the "propaganda of facts." It is probably out of the question, but it is a nice dream.

--Dorcas Ruthenburg: SRC is emerging as a reflective, well-grounded force with a two-pronged obligation: one, to expand its program possibly to include the North in cases where its long experience can prove helpful, and second not only to combat prejudice and irresponsibility in the South but to reflect the gathering momentum and influence of the concerned within the hard-core states.

--Ben Muse: Availability for mediation suggests a middle-of-the-road position, which we do not occupy. I think we are generally considered more conservative than SNCC or SCLC, but the more acceptable our good offices would be to whites the more we would be distrusted by Negroes. A white SRC representative in friendly conversation with white leaders can help break down resistance, but I am afraid his efforts to alter the plans of Negro leaders would lead to friction. They feel that we are on their side, and we are.

--Norman Jimerson: I would suggest expanding the staff of the Field Activities. Mr. Paul Anthony has been of great service to the Alabama Council on Human Relations, and we expect to call upon him for further

assistance this fall. He has spent considerable time in Huntsville and Mobile. In this strange world of many paradoxes, there are situations when a person from Southern Regional Council is more acceptable to local people than the State Director of the Alabama Council on Human Relations. This generalization is certainly true in respect to the work Mr. Anthony has done in Huntsville and Mobile to help prepare for peaceful desegregation of public schools. The further factor in suggesting that the staff of the Field Activities Department be increased is that there is continuing to be less and less "fear" of outsiders amongst responsible white community leaders in our state.

B. Influencing Elites.

2.a./b. Newspapermen/Politicians.

--Ben Muse: Newspaper editors are the easiest people for an itinerant consultant to see, and I believe he can accomplish most in this field. Nearly all of them are eager to discuss the race problem. It would not be a waste of funds to employ a personable veteran editor -- there is a certain fraternal spirit among editors -- to expand this activity and give all his time to it.

--McNeill Smith: There is a great need for detailed information regarding successful desegregation. Editors, politicians, and CHR people are very eager to get as much of this as they possibly can.
--Ed Yoder, editorial writer for The Greensboro Daily News: Editors need more knowledge in depth of the desegregation process in southern cities. (N.B.: I think this comment can be regarded as an argument in support of my recommendation that one or two state research assistants be established on an experimental basis.)

2.c. Mailing lists.

--Ben Muse: The matter of selective and constantly revised mailing lists is of the utmost importance. We would be justified in assigning a staff member to give a great deal of time to this.
--Nat Welch: I suggest that you take a very hard look at where these publications are being sent. We want them to be read by influential people and not end up in trash cans.
--Lou Mitchell: SRC needs a bit more promotion. Many key figures in Florida (and this was also true in Alabama) have never heard of SRC, yet the quality of reports, studies, etc. ought to be part of the know-

ledge of city governments, clergymen, and decision-making persons.

--McNeill Smith: All municipal biracial committees should be informed of the SRC's publications and services. Names of key editors, reporters, and political leaders can be secured from Civil Rights Advisory Committees in southern states.

2.e. 1) Strengthening Negro leadership

--Ben Muse: I think coaching Negro protest leaders had better be left to other organizations.

--Lee Thomas: In general I admire your approach to the crisis at hand. I am concerned for two disquieting possibilities: 1. The breakdown of the non-violent discipline in Negro ranks that is appearing in isolated cases lest they spread. 2. The inter-organizational squabbling among NAACP, CORE, and other interested and dedicated groups. What, if anything, the Southern Regional Council can do constructively about these problems within its framework, I do not know.

C. Strengthening the Faithful.

--Harry Jones: Paul Anthony has been doing a better

job than has been done before in keeping the State Councils informed as to what is going on at SRC and what significant events are taking place elsewhere. I hope that this job of communication, information and interpretation will be continued and improved.

--Ben Muse: I would place greater emphasis on HRC membership. I have a queer notion about HRCs. I do not think they should be exclusively devoted to heavy thinking and earnest endeavor. I would like to see them have some of the aspects of a "fun" activity (to use a horrible expression). Make interracial association smart, popular and "the thing to do." I don't think those who joined HRCs just to mingle and break bread with members of the other race would lessen the accomplishment of the dedicated nucleus. And the recommendation of an organization of 5,000 or 10,000 members would carry more weight than those of a 1,000-member group.

--Frances Pauley: 1. We need more help in times of crisis, particularly legal advice. 2. More help in teaching me to keep which records where. I never have the knowledge I need at my finger tips in the various program areas. 3. Help in publishing materials, what to send to whom. We are not using the printed word as we should. No time to write, no money to publish etc. 4. Help with techniques for

local leaders, both written and workshop, organizational techniques and program techniques. I guess its just - Help! Help! Help! Maybe the real secret is wishing some one would do my job for me. But I don't, really. I like my job (most of the time).

5. Of course, more money.

--C.E. Boulware: There is some tendency on the part of CHR folk to regard mere "fellowshipping" as progress. This fallacy in judgment is comparable to the attitude of many Negroes toward mass meetings: they sometimes expend all their emotional energy in a rousing mass meeting, which they leave with an illusory sense that something has been accomplished just because they have met together.

--John R. Taylor: There is a pressing need for more how-to-do-it materials.

E. Externally-Directed Field Activities.

--Carroll Brooke: I would be most interested in the formation of resource teams to visit communities for "popular" institutes on race relations. The idea being that we would reach more persons than the more professional groups that we usually meet when teams have visited communities.

Same ltr. to:

Herbert Davidson, C. G. Gomillion, Andrew Secrest,
Kelly M. Smith, Mrs. Charles White

The Rev. Hubert Beckwith
Congregational Christian Church of
Fairfax County
P. O. Box 288
Annandale, Virginia

Dear Mr. Beckwith:

You will recall from the Annual Meeting that the staff has proposed undertaking a thorough program review and evaluation with intentions to report its conclusions at the next Annual Meeting. You may recall also that the staff requested me to designate a small group of the Members with whom they could consult in the preparation of this review. I believe the aim of the staff is a laudible one which the members of the Council should, and will, give full support to. Any organization from time to time needs to re-examine its work, and in our rapidly changing field we have a special need to do so.

I am, therefore, asking you to serve in this consultative capacity to the staff. The others who I am similarly requesting are: Mr. Herbert Davidson, Mr. C. G. Gomillion, Mr. Andrew Secrest, Reverend Kelly M. Smith, and Mrs. Charles White. Mr. Wheeler will appoint three members of the Executive Committee to join you.

Mr. Dunbar informs me that he believes much, if not all, of your work can be done through correspondence, though he also wishes me to advise you that one meeting of the consultants may be necessary probably some time during the summer or early fall.

I hope very much that you will be able to accept this assignment, and I would appreciate having a note of confirmation from you.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely yours,

James McBride Dabbs
President

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Date of signing — Signature of Executive Committee Member

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Jr. Davis
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December 14, 1962	H. Franklin Williams
Date of signing	Signature of Executive Committee Member

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LESLIE W. DUNBAR,
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

A Council to attain the ideals and practices of equal opportunity for all peoples in the South

Mtg forward

January 22, 1963

MEMO

TO: THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

FROM: Montez Albright

The date for the next meeting of the Executive Committee has been set for Tuesday, February 19th.

The meeting will begin at 10:00 a. m. in the Conference Room of the Council, and will adjourn at 3:30 p. m.

Please let us know if a travel advance or other arrangements we can make here will be helpful to you.

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Dr. Leslie Dunbar
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Les:

Since indicating that I could attend an Executive Committee meeting on Tuesday, February 19, it has become necessary for me to return to Hawaii for a follow-up visit on a study of higher education in which I participated a year ago. In order for me to go to Hawaii it has become necessary for me to cancel my attendance at the Executive Committee meeting. I regret this very much.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

A. W. Dent
President

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PROPOSED AGENDA

Meeting of the Executive Committee
Southern Regional Council
Atlanta, Georgia

February 19, 1963

10:00 a.m. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**
(Staff on Call)

Invocation

Adoption of Agenda

Election of Chairman

Approval of Minutes of Last Meeting

Report of Personnel Committee

Other Business for Executive Session

GENERAL SESSION

Report of the Fellowship of the Concerned
Mrs. Tilly

Financial Report
Mrs. Alexander and Mr. Dunbar

Selection of Date for Annual Meeting

Report from Dr. M. Robert Coles on his Study

Report on SRC Committee of Attorneys

Other Program Matters, as determined by Committee

3:00 p.m. ADJOURNMENT

Note: Lunch will be served at 12:30 p.m., or thereafter at the convenience of the Committee.

Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street N.E.
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February 19, 1963

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All members of the professional staff were present, with Mrs. ~~Mildred~~ Johnson serving as recording secretary.

EXECUTIVE SESSION
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The Executive Committee, ~~in executive session~~, took the following action: By unanimous vote, the Executive Committee expressed its appreciation to the Executive Director and his entire staff for the excellence with which the program of the Council was carried out during 1962.

The Committee adopted a statement of policy in regard to participation by SRC employees in public demonstrations. ~~(see attached).~~

GENERAL SESSION

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Mrs. Tilly also reported a successful attempt to enroll two Negro nurses in the graduate school of Emory University, in which she played a major role. It was reported that the young ladies are now enrolled and have been warmly received at the University.

The Chairman brought to the attention of the Committee an honor which had recently been given Mrs. Tilly by the National Conference of Christians and Jews -- "The Good Neighbor Award." It was further pointed out that Mrs. Tilly has been the recipient of some 18 awards during her very active life time.

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Dr. Stephen J. Wright ~~pointed out that the staff should be highly commended for the fine job it has done with respect to fund raising~~ moved that the report, as given by the Executive Director, be adopted with appreciation to the staff. It was so moved and unanimously adopted.

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SELECTION OF DATE FOR ANNUAL MEETING

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The staff was instructed to begin early to secure a speaker or speakers for the Annual Meeting.

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~~OTHER&PROGRAM&MATTERS&~~

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MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
Southern Regional Council
January 29, 1964

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Those present: Mr. Christopher, Dr. Clement, Mr. Dabbs, Dr. Griffin, Mrs. Hamilton, Dr. Raymond Wheeler, Miss Wilkins, Mr. M. A. Wright, Dr. S. J. Wright, Mr. Young, with Mr. John H. Wheeler presiding.

Members of the professional staff present: Mr. Dunbar, Mr. Branton, Mr. Jordan, with Mrs. Mildred Johnson serving as recording secretary.

EXECUTIVE SESSION
(Staff on Call)

After invocation, the agenda was adopted and the Resolution on SRC's Tax Exemption was circulated and signed by each member.

The Committee voted to recommend to the Annual Meeting that the Executive Director, Secretary-Treasurer, and Council be confirmed for the coming year, after which a report of the Personnel Committee was heard and approved.

GENERAL SESSION

Report of the Voter Education Project

Mr. Branton reported on the work and accomplishments of the Voter Education Project since its inception in 1962. He distributed to each member and discussed in detail the "1964 VEP Election Information" and "Results of the VEP Program From April 1, 1962 to December 31, 1963."

Mr. Branton reported that the staff does not know at this time whether any foundations will make commitments for the continuance of the VEP for the next fiscal year. On the assumption that they will, he stated that VEP will continue to support programs in each of the eleven southern states until cut-offs for general elections in those states.

Following Mr. Branton's report, the Committee engaged in discussion of the Project, after which the following action was taken: It was moved, seconded, and unanimously adopted that the minutes show the high regard of the Committee for the way in which Mr. Branton has conducted the Voter Education Project.

Mr. Branton pointed out that there has been considerable inquiry from individuals and agencies as to whether VEP will continue beyond this year, and indicated that the Committee ought to be giving some consideration to this matter. He pointed out that this is necessary now, since SRC only agreed to take on the sponsorship of the Project, and he had agreed to come to the Project as its director, for a specific and agreed upon length of time.

The two points which Mr. Branton felt should now be resolved if VEP is going to be continued are: (1) will the Project continue under the sponsorship of the SRC, or some new agency? (2) if the Project is to be continued, this ought to be known at an early date so that a new project director can be brought in who would direct the Project beyond the time when the present director would be willing to remain on the job.

It was pointed out that Mr. Branton's time with the Project will terminate by March 31, 1965.

After some discussion of this matter Mr. M. A. Wright made the following motion which was unanimously approved and adopted: That the staff begin discussions on the matter of continuing the VEP, and have some preliminary suggestions to present to the Executive Committee at its next meeting.

Selection of Date and Place of 1964 Annual Meeting

It was unanimously agreed that the selection of the date and place of the next Annual Meeting be deferred until the next meeting of the Executive Committee.

Other Business

Mr. Dunbar reported that SRC "Board of Directors" had been invited, via telegram, by the Mayor of the City of Atlanta to attend a meeting in the City Hall at which Negro and white leaders would be involved in efforts to ameliorate Atlanta's racial problems. It was agreed, as Mr. Dunbar informed the Mayor's office, that it was impossible for the full Council to attend such a meeting. Discussion of this ensued at which time it was further agreed that since the matters under discussion involved local matters, only the Atlanta members should attend.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12:30 p. m.

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LESLIE W. DUNBAR,
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

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April 16, 1963

MEMO

TO: THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

FROM: Montez Albright

The date for the next meeting of the Executive Committee has been set for Tuesday, May 21.

The meeting will begin at 10:00 a.m. in the Conference Room of the Council, and will adjourn at 3:30 p.m.

Please let us know if a travel advance or other arrangements we can make here will be helpful to you.

It's highly unlikely that I can attend the May 21 meeting due to previous commitments, so don't expect me this time. If there is any change which will clear this date I will come.

Paul Christopher

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April 17, 1963

Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Attention: Mrs. Montez Albright

Dear Mrs. Albright:

My calendar indicates that on May 20, 1963, I begin a trial in the Federal Court here in New Orleans. We are attempting to settle the case, and if we are unsuccessful, the trial will last three days, beginning on the morning of May 20. If this be the case, then I will be unable to attend the Executive Committee meeting on Tuesday, May 21st.

I sincerely hope that I will be able to be in attendance at the meeting, so please be assured that every effort will be made to dispose of this particular piece of litigation.

Very truly yours,

Jack

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April 20, 1963

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Les:

I am sorry that I will have to miss the Executive Committee meeting on Tuesday, May 21. At the time of the poll I indicated that I would not be available on this date, but I know that you have to set the date agreeable to the majority of the members. I am serving as a member of the National Commission on Community Health Services and for six months have been committed to a meeting of the commission in New York for May 21.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Al

A. W. Dent
President

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING		May 21	28
Clements		no	no
Young		yes	yes
Wheeler, R.		yes	yes
Wheeler, J.	Walnhaje	yes	no
Wright, S.J.		yes	no
Nelson	Maybe (if case settled before 2021)	no	no
Christopher		no	no
Wright, M.A.	Piedmont Hotel?	yes	yes
Wilkins		yes	yes
Dent		no	yes
Dabbs	Piedmont	yes	yes
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? Hamilton			
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Exec. Comm. Meeting

Name		May 21	Prefer 2	3	either
Clements	no.	no	✓		no
Young		—	✓		✓
Wheeler (R)		✓	—		✓
Wheeler (J.)		✓	no		no
Wright, Sg.		✓	no		no
Nelson	no.	no	✓		no
Christopher (Could attend 17 or 25 or later)	no.	no	no		no.
Wright, M. A		Pregment	✓		✓
Josephine Wilkins		✓	✓		✓
Dent		no	✓		no
Dabbs		✓	✓		✓

Griffin
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I prefer May 21 ( ) May 23 (✓) as the date of the next Executive Committee meeting.

I could attend on either date ( ).

Signed Rufus E. Clement

I prefer May 21 ( ) May 23 ( ) as the date of the next Executive Committee meeting.

I could not attend on either date (✗).

Signed Paul A. Christopher

Could attend May 17 or May 25 or later.

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Signed J. M. Dabbs

NEW ORLEANS
APR 1963

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Signed Ann Dent

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Signed _____

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Signed Joseph Weber

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I could attend on either date (✓). These are both days on which my class meets, which means that they are equally bad for me.

Signed H. Franklin Williams

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Signed M. A. Wright

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Signed S. J. Wright
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I could attend on either date (✗).

Signed Thomas W. Young

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SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL 5 FORSTYTH ST NORTHWEST ATLA

DR WRIGHT WILL BE IN ATLANTA MAY 20TH EVENING PLEASE INFORM

TIME AND PLACE OF MEETING

MRS E L EDWARDS AMINISTRATIVE SECY TO THE PRESIDENT FISK UNIVERSITY

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BENJAMIN MUSE
POST OFFICE BOX 312
MANASSAS, VIRGINIA

May 15,1963

Dear Montez:

I wrote you the other day asking to have a hotel reservation made for May 20. Now I would like to have the reservation canceled, as I will not be coming to this executive committee meeting.

Sorry to have caused you this trouble.

Regards.

Sincerely,

Ben Muse

Piedmont
Canceled
5/17/63
MMJ

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TELEPHONED IN May 17, 1963

May 17, 1963

DR. STEPHEN J. WRIGHT
PRESIDENT
FISK UNIVERSITY
NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING SET FOR 7:00 PM, MAY 20,

JOSEPHINE WILKINS SUITE #841, BILTMORE HOTEL.

MILDRED M. JOHNSON
SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

Message for MA Wright left at Piedmont re Sub Committee Mtg, 7:00 PM 5/20/63. Suite 841, Joe Wilkins

Memo from **MILDRED JOHNSON**

THINGS TO BE DONE IN CONNECTION WITH EXEC. CTTEE. MTG. - May 21, 1963

1. What about convening meeting of Mr. Wright's sub-committee to finde possible candidates for Presidency?
(See Lwd ltr of 5/6/63 to MAW)

2. Agenda
a. WB - Vep Statistics on Leflore Campaign

PROPOSED AGENDA
Executive Committee Meeting
Southern Regional Council

May 21, 1963

10:00 AM **EXECUTIVE SESSION**
(Staff on Call)

Invocation

Adoption of Agenda

Approval of Minutes of Last Meeting

Reading of Resolution on Tax Exemption

Report of the Personnel Committee

GENERAL SESSION

Election of Two Members to Nominating Committee (James A Colston B.R. Brazeal

Recent Development with State Councils and Other Matters - Mr. Anthony

Report on the Voter Education Project
Mr. Branton

Miscellaneous Matters
Mr. Dunbar

Other Business

3:00 PM ADJOURNMENT

Note: Lunch will be available at 12:30 p.m. or thereafter at the convenience of the Committee.

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May 21, 1963

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All members of the professional staff of SRC were present with the exception of Messrs. Muse, Blackwell, Brewbaker and Coles. Mrs. Mildred Johnson served as recording secretary.

EXECUTIVE SESSION
(Staff on Call)

Following invocation the proposed agenda and minutes of the last meeting were adopted, after which the Committee heard and adopted a report from the Personnel Committee. the Committee to the following action: insert (Rhu resolution)

(To be included in this session is a minute which Mr. Haas will prepare re discussion of VEP)

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Dr. James A. Colston of Knoxville, Tenn., and Dean B. R. Brazeal of Atlanta were elected ~~by the Executive Committee to~~ to serve on the 1963 Nominating Committee.

GENERAL SESSION - 1:10 pm

~~The General Session convened at 1:10 p.m., at which time~~

Recent Developments with State Councils and Other Matters

Mr. Anthony reported the following regarding state Councils on Human Relations.

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South Carolina. -- Recently added to the staff is Prof. Ralph Dreger employed to work Special in rural South Carolina. Mr. Lewis Mitchell, newly appointed ex. Dir will assume his duties July 1.

Houston, Tex. -- The Houston Council has been successful in raising $20,000 from local sources during the last year. This is an indication of its effectiveness in the Community.

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z Mr. Anthony further reported that some consideration is now being given to increasing state staff salaries and instituting staff fringe benefits.

Apart from work with state councils, Mr. Anthony reported on efforts to form groups in local communities which would function as SOS-type groups in an effort to prepare communities for school desegregation. As reported by Mr. Anthony several such groups have been mobilized. This aspect of activity appropriately fits into the framework of the Southern Leadership Project of which Mr. Anthony will have jurisdiction. *(Insert)

Report from Birmingham:

At this point in the meeting, Mr. Dunbar informed the Committee of a telephone call received from Mr. Charles Morgan of Birmingham, the attorney handling the suit filed by the two Negro applicants to the Univ. of Alabama, Miss Vivian J. Malone and Mr. Dave McGlathery. It was reported that the U. S. District Court had just ruled desegregation of the University and that Miss Malone be admitted to the main campus at Tuscaloosa and Mr. McGlathery to the Huntsville Center. Fed. Judge H. Hobart Grooms refused to delay enrollment of the two applicants.

*(Insert)

During the discussion which followed Mr. Anthony's report, the Committee reviewed the more intrinsic areas of opportunity for minority groups in which little, if any, advance is being made. The staff was instructed by the Committee to re-examine such areas as employment, housing, health and welfare services, etc., to see what role SNCC might effectively play in helping (over)

to fill the vacuum in these & other related areas.

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Miscellaneous Matters. --

New Staff:

Mr. Dunbar introduced to the Committee Mr. Vernon Jordan, newly appointed Assistant to the Director, who will assume his duties with the Council on June 3, 1963.

Deathof Board Member:

The Committee was informed of the recent passing of one of the Council's long-standing Board Members, Dr. H. Councill Trenholm, Sr. In this connection the following motion was unanimously approved and adopted: That the secretary send a note of condolence to the family of Dr. Trenholm appropriately expressing the sympathy of the Executive Committee.

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Southern Interagency Conference Membership:

It was reported that a formal application for membership had been submitted to the SIC meeting of April 18 and 19 by the Southern Conference Educational Fund. After review and discussion the agencies voted 19-2 refusing admission of SCEF to SIC.

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Mr. Dunbar pointed out to the Committee the importance of the Birmingham crisis and indicated that it is exercising a contagious effect comparable to the sit-ins of 1960, the events have led the nation and the world to take note that the drive for equality and human dignity is taking on major proportions because of what has happened in Birmingham. In this connection, Mr. Dunbar shared with the Committee two items of interest -- a NewYork Times article of April 17 by Claude Sitton and a letter written to President John F. Kennedy by Dr. Lucius Pitts, SRC Board Member and President of Miles College in Birmingham. ~~Mr. Dunbar requested the guidance and thinking of the Committee~~

In responding tp a request of the Executive Director for the guidance and thinking of the Committee in what SRC could do relative to Birmingham, it was unanimously ~~adopt~~ approved and adopted that the staff draft a public statement to be released as a statement coming from the Executive Committee embodying the following: (1) segregation and discrimination are morally wrong; (2) expressing the indignity of the arrests in Birmingham; (3) the recent Supreme Court decisions has provided the South a second opportunity to show that it has respect for the highest law of the land; (4) appeal to the South to pursue a different course of action than the course followed after the 1954 decision -- any other course of action would lead to bitterness, hatred, and violence.

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SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
5 FORSYTH STREET, N. W., ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA

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Signed: John H Wheeler

Chairman, Executive Committee
May 21, 1963

See attached public statement in case it is needed

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With no other business, the meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

NEWS RELEASE

FOR RELEASE TO ALL PAPERS
Sunday, May 26, 1963

Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia
Telephone: JAckson 2-8764

The Executive Committee of the Southern Regional Council made today the following statement:

"By its decisions of May 20, 1963 in the 'sit-in' cases, the Supreme Court moved our law a long step nearer the American ideal of equal rights.

"These decisions confront the South again with an historic choice. They set before us a renewed opportunity for the kind of magnanimity -- and intelligence -- which we turned our backs on in 1954. The South nine years ago was called on by the national will for greatness; instead, it responded with a self-blighting display of malice and futility. The recent events in Birmingham are only the latest episode of this impoverishing of the regional spirit.

"The Court's decision of May 20 came, however, at a time of promising events as well. In several southern cities -- Raleigh, Durham, Greensboro, Knoxville, and Nashville among others -- there has arisen an unprecedented awareness among civic leaders that segregation must end, without delay, in all public and business services.

"Equality is an American ideal. It has become also a practical necessity. But it is first of all an issue of human decency.

"In the United States, and particularly in the South, we are adopting measures which already are outgrown by Negro needs and impatience. Had we years ago vigorously defended voting rights in the courts, had we made beginnings in the desegregation of public accommodations and services, had we established rules to protect fair and equal employment rights, had we done these and other like things then -- which we are beginning to do now -- they might have been in time. They are not any longer.

"The legitimate unrest of Negro citizens requires a statesmanship adequate for the times, from national, state, and local governments, and from private businesses.

"We need to turn from the mere defense of voting rights against criminal violation to the positive assurance of voting rights; from token school desegregation to a loving concern for the education of all our children. We need in all of American life to accept and benefit from each other.

"Negro Southerners, supported by white people of good will, have been the South's moral leaders these last few years. The whole region and the nation owe them a debt for what they have accomplished, and for their continued faith in American institutions.

We need, in the spirit of Judge Tuttle's ruling of May 22 regarding the expulsion of Birmingham school children, to direct our thoughts and actions at the main issue: at how the welfare of the South's people can be enlarged. Vindictive policies are always self-defeating; responsible Southerners must not longer tolerate them.

"The Supreme Court defines the law of the land and the duty of citizens under it. Southern states and cities ought not again, or still, evade and avoid legal responsibilities which clearly are theirs. The South can recover its title-deeds in American democracy by now taking specific actions that would show its loyalty to the spirit of the law and to its own Negro citizens. These actions should include

--the immediate dropping of charges against peaceful demonstrators in any cities where charges are pending;

--the removal in all cities of segregated practices in governmental facilities and in stores, hotels, restaurants or other businesses serving the general public.

"Finally, we take note of the imminent desegregation of the University of Alabama, and of President Kennedy's straightforward remarks of May 22. The

disorders of last fall at the University of Mississippi must not be allowed to recur. We are confident that Alabama students will act with the dignity and good will shown in January by the students of Clemson. We trust that President Kennedy and his Administration will be prepared to act forthrightly to insure that the Negro enrollees will not be delayed or harassed as they enter on their studies, and that the integrity of federal courts will not again be defamed."

NOTE: The Southern Regional Council is a Council to attain the ideals and practices of equal opportunity for all peoples in the South. Members of the Executive Committee are:

James McBride Dabbs, Mayesville, S. C.
President of the Southern Regional Council

John H. Wheeler, Durham, N. C.
Chairman of the Executive Committee

3 Albert W. Dent, New Orleans, La.

11 Marion A. Wright, Linville Falls, N. C.

9 Josephine Wilkins, Athens, Ga.

2 Rufus E. Clement, Atlanta, Ga.

1 Paul R. Christopher, Knoxville, Tenn.

4 John A. Griffin, Tallahassee, Fla.

5 Grace T. Hamilton, Atlanta, Ga.

7 John P. Nelson, Jr., New Orleans, La.

News Release - 5.
May 26, 1963

8 Raymond Wheeler, Charlotte, N. C.

18 H. Franklin Williams, Coral Gables, Fla.

12 Stephen J. Wright, Nashville, Tenn.

13 Thomas W. Young, Norfolk, Va.

6 Joseph F. Haas, Atlanta, Ga.

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Ex. Com. May 21, 1963

July 25, 1963

Mrs. Mildred M. Johnson
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mrs. Johnson:

Acknowledging yours of the 23rd, I would suggest that the discussion pertaining to the Voter Education Project be changed to read:

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Inserted in Minutes 7/26/63 MMJ

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Joe

JFH:RS

For Haas, Holland and Zinkow

July 23, 1963

Mr. Joseph Haas
1116 First National Bank Building
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Haas:

Enclosed is a minute which Mr. Dunbar has drafted of the discussion of the Voter Education Project. We hope that the wording of the minute meets with your approval. If so, would you be good enough to return it to me so that the minutes of the May 21 Executive Committee meeting may be stenciled and distributed to the members.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Mildred M. Johnson
Secretary to the Director

MMJ
Enclosure - 1.

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Memo

from **LESLIE W. DUNBAR**

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The changes had been previously approved by the Personnel Committee, & were, following Mr Dunbar's presentation, adopted by the Executive Committee

July 5, 1963

Les,

Attached herewith are the minutes of the May 21 Executive Committee Meeting which should be mailed out as &&&& soon as Mr. Haas gets over to us his section on the discussion of the VEP. I called his office today and his secretary says that he'll be out of the office all of next week (July 8-12). I asked her to nudge him when he's back in the office, and she promised she would. These minutes have been held up far too long.

Mildred

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Chairman, Executive Committee

Executive Session - cont.

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Recent Developments with State Councils and Other Matters:

Mr. Anthony reported ~~the following~~ regarding state Councils on Human Relations. A many development he cited were the following:

~~Virginia&&&&~~

Virginia -- The Virginia Council on Human Relations is now concerning itself with a merit employment program which is under the direction of Mr. Gregory Shinert, former executive director of the Missouri Commission on Human Relations. The addition of Mr. Shinert to the Va. Council brings the professional staff to three.

North Carolina -- The North Carolina Council on Human Relations recently sponsored a dinner honoring Mr. McNeill Smith, N. C. Council Board member and former chairman of the N. C. Advisory Committee to the Commission on Civil Rights. The speaker for the occasion was Mr. Burke Marshall of the U. S. Department of Justice.

Florida ~~South Carolina~~ -- Mr. Lewis Mitchell, newly appointed Executive Director of the Florida ~~South Carolina~~ Council will assume his duties on July 1. ~~Also added to the &&&&& staff is~~

Professor Ralph Dreger employed to do special work in rural South Carolina.

Houston, Texas -- The Houston Council has been successful in raising $20,000 from local sources during the last year. This is an indication of its effectiveness in the community.

Arkansas -- The Arkansas Council has, in the past, had difficulty with finances and membership. In view of this the Council is planning a local fund-raising campaign in which it hopes to raise $5,000 through local business men.

Mr. Anthony further reported that some consideration is being given to increasing ~~&&&~~ state staff salaries and instituting staff fringe benefits.

Apart from work with state councils, Mr. Anthony reported on efforts to form groups in ~~local~~ rural communities which would function as SOS-type groups in an effort to prepare communities for school desegregation. ~~As reported by Mr. Anthony, several such groups have been mobilized~~ further. This aspect of activity appropriately fits into the framework of the Southern Leadership Project. ~~of which Mr. Anthony will have jurisdiction.~~

During the discussion which followed Mr. Anthony's report, the Committee ~~reviewed~~ discussed ~~the more intrinsic~~ areas ~~of opportunity for minority groups~~ in which little, if any, advance has been made. The staff was instructed to re-examine such areas as employment, housing, health and welfare services, economic status of Negroes, etc., to see what role SRC might effectively play in helping to fill the vacuum in these areas of interest or progress and other related areas.

The Executive Director reported ~~&&&~~ the preparation of a report on the economic status of Negroes which the Council hopes to publish in the near future. It was the feeling of the

Committee that this report could well be the basis for next steps for what SRC can do in these ~~fiel~~ areas of concentration.

Report on ~~Ve~~ the Voter Education ProjectL-- :

Mr. Branton reviewed briefly the Annual Report of the Voter Education Proj. which had been prepared in advance and presented to each Committee Member. He pointed out that better than 115,000 persons have been added to the voting rolls in the states in which the Project has been operating during its first fiscal year.

Following Mr. Branton's report the Committee discussed briefly several aspects of the Project and pointed out that during the Executive Session the Committee voted, as a precautionary measure, that the staff submit a copy of the VEP Annual Report to ~~the Council's tax attorney,~~ Mr. Adrian DeWind ~~of New York,~~ for his review before transmittal to the Internal Revenue Service. Any changes which Mr. DeWind might suggest should be ~~passed on~~ incorporated ~~to the staff,~~ the Executive Committee ~~to be so~~ informed.

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Miscellaneous Matters:

New Staff -- Mr. Dunbar introduced to the Committee Mr. Vernon Jordan, Jr., newly appointed Assistant to the Director, who will assume his duties with the Council June 3, 1963.

Death of SRC Board Member -- The Committee was informed of the recent passing of one of the Council's longstanding Members, Dr. H. Councill Trenholm, Sr. In this connection the following motion was unanimously approved and adopted: that the secretary send a note of condolence to the family of Dr. Trenholm appropriately expressing the sympathy of the Executive Committee.

Followup of Annual Meeting -- At the Annual Meeting of November a provision was made for the establishment of two ~~sub~~committees: The George S. Mitchell Memorial Award committee, and a Program Review and Evaluation committee. Members appointed to the former are: Mr. Stewart, chairman, Miss Wilkins, Mr. Paul Williams, Dr. Johnson, Dean Brazeal, Miss Ruthenburg, and Mr. Keheer. It was reported that an ~~aaaaaaaa~~ exchange of correspondence between members and the chairman had already begun in an effort to establish the criteria for presenting such an award.

Members of the ~~latter~~ recent committee are: Dr. ~~Albert~~ Dent, Mrs. Hamilton, Dr. Raymond Wheeler, Mr. Davidson, ~~Mr.~~ Mr. ~~C. S.~~ Gomillion, Mr. Secrest, ~~M&~~ Rev. Smith, ~~Mr.~~ Rev. Beckwith, and Mrs. White. This committee is charged with the responsibility of advising the staff in evaluating its present program activities and determining what new guidelines are needed for future activities of the Council.

~~Southern~~-Interagency Conference Membership -- It was reported that a formal application for membership had been submitted to the SIC meeting of April 18 and 19 by the Southern Conference Educational Fund. After review and discussion the agencies voted 19 to 2, with five abstentions, refusing admission of SCEF.

Birmingham Crisis -- Mr. Dunbar ~~pointed out to the Committee~~ discussed the importance of the Birmingham crisis and indicated that it is exercising a contagious effect comparable to that of the sit-ins of 1960. ~~The events emerging from the Birmingham~~ situation have led the nation and the world to take note of the fact that the drive for equality and human dignity is taking on major proportions mainly because of what has

~~happened in Birmingham.~~ In this connection, Mr. Dunbar shared with the Committee ~~two items of interest -- a New York Times article of April 17 by Claude Sitton and~~ a letter written to President Kennedy by Dr. Lucius Pitts, SRC board member and President of Miles College. ~~&&&&&&&&~~

In responding to a request of the Executive Director for the guidance and thinking of the Committee in what SRC could do relative to Birmingham, it was moved and unanimously ~~approved and~~ adopted that the staff draft a public statement to be released to the press as a statement coming from the Executive Committee. Said statement to embody the following: an affirmation that (1) segregation and discrimination are morally wrong; (2) an expression of ~~the~~ indignation ~~indignity of~~ over the arrests in Birmingham; (3) a recognition that the recent Supreme Court decisions have provided the South a second opportunity to show that it has respect for, and will obey the highest law of the land; (4) an appeal to the South to pursue a different course of action than ~~the course~~ that followed after the 1954 decision, ~~and any other course of action would lead to bitterness, hatred, and violence~~.

With no other business, the meeting adjourned at 3:00 PM

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MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
Southern Regional Council
May 11, 1964

The Executive Committee convened at 10:00 a.m., May 11, 1964 in the Conference Room of the Southern Regional Council.

Those present: Mr. Christopher, Mr. Dabbs, Dr. Gomillion, President John H. Wheeler (presiding until such time as a new chairman of the Committee could be elected), Dr. Raymond Wheeler, Miss Wilkins, Dr. Williams, Mr. Marion A. Wright, and Mr. Young. All members of the professional staff were present except for Messrs. Pat Watters and Staige Blackford. Mrs. Tilly was present for the afternoon session only. Mrs. Mildred Johnson served as recording secretary.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

After invocation, the proposed agenda and the minutes of the last meeting were approved and adopted and the Resolution on Tax Exemption was circulated and signed by each Member.

As required by the By-Laws, two new members were elected to the 1964 Nominating Committee -- Mr. Paul Williams of Richmond, Va., and Mr. James Youngdahl of Little Rock, Ark. Alternates elected were Dr. Lucius Pitts of Birmingham and Mr. E. T. Kehrer of Atlanta.

GENERAL SESSION

Remarks by the Executive Director

Mr. Dunbar announced the recent death of Mrs. Moise Cahn of New Orleans on April 15, 1964. Mrs. Cahn's death came at the time of renewed efforts to establish a Louisiana Council on Human Relations, in which Mrs. Cahn was a leading figure. The staff had sent an appropriate message of condolence to the family of Mrs. Cahn. The Committee instructed the staff to send, on behalf of the Executive Committee, a similar letter of condolence to the family of the late Mrs. Cahn.

Mr. Dunbar announced the recent resignation of Dr. Samuel Proctor from the Council. Dr. Proctor has

moved from the region to become Associate Director of the Peace Corps in Washington, D. C.

New Staff

Three new persons were introduced: Mrs. Barbara Whitaker, Research Assistant to the Voter Education Project; Mr. John Due, Intern, Voter Education Project, and made available under the sponsorship of the Eleanor Roosevelt Memorial Foundation; Mr. Louis Mitchell, Executive Director of the Florida Council on Human Relations, on leave of absence from that post to direct a special project of the Southern Regional Council.

Mr. Dunbar reported briefly on the work of the Voter Education Project and pointed out that the Project has been able to reach the 2,000,000 mark in the number of registered Negro voters, a real milestone. He commended not only the agencies working in the field, but the VEP staff as well.

Mr. Anthony reported that he and Mr. Mitchell would be attending a meeting in Cocoa, Florida at the request of the directors of personnel and public relations of all the government contractors of the Cape Kennedy area to discuss the resources of the state Councils on Human Relations and the Southern Regional Council, and ways in which both could be helpful to them in implementing their merit employment programs.

Status of Unemployment Compensation Tax Issue

Mr. Dunbar expressed regrets that Mr. Haas, who had to be out of town, could not be present to report on the unemployment compensation tax matter. However, Mr. Dunbar reported that in March Mr. Haas, after consultation with him, had notified the Employment Security Agency that the Council was willing to pay into the plan on a voluntary basis, as permitted by the statute. Our offer was refused by the state in a letter of March 18. The Agency then arranged a formal hearing on April 8, at which both the Executive Director and legal counsel attended and presented testimony. Subsequent to this hearing the Commissioner notified the Council that the Employment Security Agency had ruled unfavorably against us. Mr. Dunbar reported

that this means, as authorized by the Committee meeting in January, that the Council will prepare to take this matter into the courts.

Mr. Dunbar stated the Council's position, as being willing to pay the tax if we can pay it without conceding that we are not, under Georgia law, a tax exempt agency, and if we do not have to pay the back taxes which we are being charged. He pointed out, after being questioned, that Mr. Haas feels optimistic about winning the case.

A brief discussion ensued, with the consensus of the Committee being that we have no choice but to go to court.

Report on "Operation Opportunity"

Mr. Mitchell reported on "Operation Opportunity" and gave background leading up to the development of this special project, which has been created to stimulate and coordinate community action toward compliance with Title II of the civil rights bill.

Plans for Annual Meeting

Mr. Jordan outlined the plans for the 1964 Annual Meeting. These were based on questionnaire returns received from the Members. The following plan was proposed and adopted:

Thursday, November 19:

10:00 AM	Workshop for State Councils on Human Relations (All-day meeting; board attendance optional, with formal report to be made to Annual Meeting)
7:30 PM	Executive Committee Meeting

Friday, November 20:

10:00 AM	Annual Meeting begins
7:30 PM	Annual Dinner

Saturday, November 21:

12:30 PM Annual Meeting ends with luncheon session.

Mr. Jordan presented a staff recommendation that a committee of two be appointed from the Executive Committee to secure a speaker for the Annual Meeting. This was accepted. Mr. Dabbs and Mr. Young were so appointed.

After some discussion of a possible city to which the Annual Meeting could be taken, it was unanimously agreed that the matter be left to the discretion of the staff.

Immediately following lunch it was announced that Dr. Raymond Wheeler had, by unanimous vote, been elected chairman of the Executive Committee. Dr. Wheeler took the chair and presided during the afternoon session.

Creation of Committee to Assist with Fund-Raising

Mr. Dunbar pointed out that in his approaches to northern foundations the question of how much support from southern sources the Council is able to attract is being asked more and more frequently. In this connection, Mr. Dunbar appealed to the Committee to appoint a sub-committee from the Board to assist the staff in southern fund-raising.

A discussion ensued after which the following motion was unanimously adopted: that a sub-committee, separate and distinct from the present Finance Committee, be created to assist the staff with fund-raising activities; the size of such sub-committee to be left to the discretion of the chairman of the Executive Committee.

Continuation of the VEP - Staff Recommendation

Mr. Dunbar pointed out that we are in the last year of the Voter Education Project. The field work will conclude during the Fall as the registration cut-off dates expire. When the field work is completed, it is encumbent on the staff to prepare a report -- the

report is to be a book. Mr. Dunbar pointed out further that it could not be predicted when the book will be finished, but hopefully by the Summer or Fall of 1965. The staff has not seriously looked for a publisher; however, we have been approached by Viking Press and the Louisiana State University Press.

Mr. Dunbar recommended the following regarding VEP: that following completion of the field work this year the staff devote itself to the preparation of the book, and at this time no effort be made to continue the Voter Education Project; however, that we maintain a disposition and willingness to talk with any interested parties who, in the future, might desire to resume this effort. Mr. Dunbar stated that this is predicated on the fact that after this year voter registration is going to subside until the elections of 1966. The Committee unanimously approved and adopted this staff recommendation.

Following a brief presentation by Mr. Branton, during which time he informed the Committee of VEP's effectiveness in registering 2,000,000 Negroes ahead of its November deadline, and a brief discussion of the Project by the Committee, Mr. Marion A. Wright, on behalf of the Committee, expressed appreciation to and high regard for Mr. Branton and his staff for the work they have done in directing and carrying out a very effective program.

Mr. Wright further commended Mr. Muse for his recent book, Ten Years of Prelude, and stated that the Council will benefit from this piece of work for a long time to come.

Mention was made of the invitation which had been extended to the Executive Director to give the William S. Cook Lectures for 1965 at the University of Michigan.

Staff Recommendation Regarding Life Fellowships

Following instructions of the Committee, Mr. Jordan, on behalf of the staff, presented the following recommendation regarding the question of awarding Life Fellowships:

> "That the awarding of the honorary life fellowship in the Southern Regional Council pursuant to Article II of the By-Laws is a high honor. Because of this honor and distinction, selectivity is of primary importance. That an award

> or awards need not be made annually, depending upon the wishes of the body. That, as permitted by the By-Laws, the recipient may be either a former Southern Regional Council member or a person who has never been a Southern Regional Council member."

After lengthy discussion, the Committee voted its approval of the staff recommendation with the following addendum being added:

> "Nominations of Life Fellows will be made by the Executive Committee at one of its regular meetings; each year the staff is to solicit recommendations from Council members, said recommendations to be placed before the Executive Committee."

Other Business

Mr. Christopher made two appeals: (1) that the staff send to Members reproductions of noteworthy news items that Members may otherwise never see; (2) that noteworthy speeches, made by Members, be shared with other Members.

Mrs. Tilly gave a brief summary of her church work, after which the meeting adjourned at 3:00 P.M.

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5 Forsyth Street, N.W., Room 201
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December, 1962

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Sept. 24, 1963

MEMORANDUM

August 30, 1963

To: Members of the Executive Committee

From: Mildred M. Johnson
Secretary to the Director

Re: DATE OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

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The majority of Members have indicated that September 24 is the more convenient date for the Executive Committee meeting. Therefore, the meeting has been set for that date.

If you would like a travel advance or a hotel reservation, please let me know and I shall be pleased to be of help to you in this or any other way.

We look forward to seeing you on SEPTEMBER 24 at 10:00 a.m.

September 5, 1963

Mr. John P. Nelson, Jr.
702 Gravier Building
535 Gravier Street
New Orleans 12, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Nelson:

We are pleased to learn, from your letter of yesterday, that you are planning to be present for the Executive Committee meeting on the 24th.

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $66.04 to cover your travel expenses, as you requested. I have made a hotel reservation for you at the Peachtree Manor Hotel, 826 Peachtree Street, N. E. This is in downtown Atlanta and within reasonable distance to our offices. If I can be of further assistance to you, please let me know.

We look forward to seeing you on the 24th at 10:00 a.m.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Mildred M. Johnson
Secretary to the Director

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Enclosure - 1. (Check; $66.04)

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September 4, 1963

Miss Mildred M. Johnson
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Miss Johnson:

It is my intention to arrive in Atlanta on the evening of ~~September~~ 23rd by Delta Airlines flight number 884 which arrives in Atlanta at 8:40 P.M. The round trip fare of $66.04.

Reservation at

I would sincerely appreciate a travel advance for the ticket. Would you kindly make a hotel reservation for me.

Peachtree Manor (Cengle)

Kindly advise the name and address of the hotel.

Many thanks for your courtesy.

Very truly yours,

John P. Nelson, Jr.
cmc

John P. Nelson, Jr.

JPNjr/cmc

September 11, 1963

Mr. Marion A. Wright
Top Knot
Linville Falls, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Wright:

Just a note to let you know that hotel reservations have been made for you at the Piedmont for the night of September 23, as you requested.

It is always a pleasure to have you in attendance at Committee meetings.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Mildred M. Johnson
Secretary to the Director

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Please reserve single at Piedmont for Sept. 23. Thanks.

M. A. Wright

Confirmed 9/10/63

Same ltr to: Mr. Joseph Haas

September 12, 1963

Miss Josephine Wilkins
The Biltmore Hotel
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Miss Wilkins:

Some time ago we telephoned you in the hope of getting members of the Executive Committee together for photographs to be used in connection with a forthcoming Life Magazine piece on southern race relations. The idea was not dropped, but it was not felt that a special call meeting of the Committee, for this purpose, was feasible. However, Life is still planning to do the piece, and has arranged to have a photographer on hand at our September 24 meeting of the Committee to take pictures. We wanted you to know about this in advance of the meeting.

With best regards,

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Mildred M. Johnson
Secretary to the Director

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September 12, 1963

Dr. Rufus E. Clement
President
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

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With best regards,

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Mildred M. Johnson
Secretary to the Director

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ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA 14, GEORGIA

Rec'd 9/17/63

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

September 16, 1963

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Mrs. Mildred M. Johnson
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
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Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mrs. Johnson:

I expect to attend the Executive Committee Meeting on September 24, but I shall have to leave the meeting not later than 2:30 p.m. since I have a 3:00 p.m. Atlanta University Senate Meeting.

Yours very truly,

Rufus E. Clement

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MRS MILDRED JOHNSON, SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

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, PLEASE GIVE ME THE NAME OF A HOTEL. THANKS AGAIN FOR YOUR HELP

MRS E L EDWARDS ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT FISK UNIV

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Reservation for single made for Dr. S. J. Wright - PEACHTREE MANOR - Sept. 23

Done: 9/20/63

EA #131 ar. 5:59 pm

Hotel reservations for single room made at Piedmont for Monday night, Sept. 23. (Mr. J. M. Dabbs)

THOSE COMING:

Agenda items:

✓ Financial reports

Report from VEP?

✓ Plans for Annual Meeting

Discussion of Program

Report of the Exec. Dir?
Among other things...
Self-evaluation
Geo. Mitchell Award

~~Nominations~~ elect. of 2 Mbrs
to Nom. cttee

Report of Nom. cttee

Les,

In deciding the items to be included on the Agenda for the September Exec. Cttee. mtg. do you plan to have VEP (either before or during the meeting) present an evaluation of the research aims of the Project as suggested by Mr. Haas' notes of the discussion of VEP at the last (May 21) mtg?

If so, maybe they ought to be told about this well in advance.

The Committee might want to take some official action in regard to the death of Mr. Charles A. Shaw on Tuesday, June 11.

Harry Jones' death
August 26, 1963

PROPOSED AGENDA

Executive Committee Meeting
September 24, 1963

10:00 AM **EXECUTIVE SESSION**
(Staff on Call)

Invocation

Adoption of Agenda

Approval of Minutes of Last Meeting

Circulation of Statement on Tax Exemption

GENERAL SESSION

(1) Report of Mid-Year Audit
(Mrs. Alexander)

Discussion of Program Review and Evaluation
(Mr. Dunbar)

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(Mr. Anthony)

5 Consideration of Public Statement on the Current Crisis

(3) Plans for the Fellowship of the Concerned
(Mrs. Tilly)

4 Plans for Annual Meeting
(Mr. Jordan)

Other Business

3:30 PM ADJOURNMENT

Note: Lunch will be available at 12:30 p.m., or thereafter, at the convenience of the Committee.

MG:
Mars.
S. J. C.
A. F. Wms.
B. L.
" Haas
" Clement
" Hamilton
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" B. Wheeler
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B. Griffin
" Dent
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MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
Southern Regional Council
September 24, 1963

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During the course of the General Session photographs were being shot to be used in connection with a story Life Magazine hopes to do on race relations in the South sometime in the future.

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In addition to the discussion of specific recommendations, all of which were agreed to in principle, there was discussion of the format of the report and considerable discussion relating to the conclusion that several of the recommendations needed better substantiation. Dr. Dent, Mrs. Hamilton ~~Miss Wilkins~~, and Dr. R. Wheeler, who had served on the Committee of Advisers, were asked by the Executive Committee to consult further with the staff in revision of the report. The Executive Committee delegated to these three Members authority to approve the revision of the report in its behalf. The staff was further instructed to send to each Member of the Executive Committee, in advance of the next meeting, a copy of the revised report and a copy of the Clark report for background.

Consideration of Public Statement:

The Executive Director reported that the staff had thought that in view of the recent atrocities in Birmingham a public statement deploring them was in order, and had asked Mr. Marion Wright to draw up such a statement. However, the Committee was asked to postpone discussion until the next meeting in order for other matters to be reported on. It was so agreed.

Other Business:

Recently Created Board Vacancies

Mr. Dunbar reported that since the last meeting of the Committee there had occurred the death of a SRC Board Member -- Mr. Charles Shaw of Houston, Texas on June 11, 1963.

Mr. Dunbar further reported that Rev. Kelly Miller Smith, a SRC Board Member, has resigned from the Council because he has left the region to accept a pulpit in Cleveland, Ohio.

Mr. Dunbar also reported the death of the Executive Director of the North Carolina Council on Human Relations -- Mr. Harry Jones on August 26, 1963.

Following Mr. Dunbar's report, the following motion was made: That the staff extend regrets to the families of both Mr. Shaw and Mr. Jones.

Life Fellows

Mr. Dunbar pointed out that last year's Annual Meeting made provision for the election of Life Fellows. Five persons were elected last year. Mr. Dunbar reported that the only name proposed this year, Mrs. David Terry, came from Mrs. Vivion Brewer of Arkansas, and asked the Committee's consideration of Mrs. Terry for election this year.

A lengthy discussion ensued around Mrs. Terry's eligibility, in view of the fact that she is not now nor has ever been a member of the Council. Following discussion, Dr. Stephen Wright suggested that this matter be tabled until the Committee had had an opportunity to give more thought to it, and Dr. John Griffin suggested that a copy of Mrs. Terry's biographical vita be sent to each member of the Committee for study.

Nominations for New Members

Mr. Dunbar noted that the minutes of the Annual Meeting last year show the following action: "That the Nominating Committee be requested to make the nominations before one session of the Council and that voting on the nominations be done at a subsequent session." In view of this action, Mr. Dunbar reported that he had been reluctant to approach persons whose names had been approved by the Nominating Committee for membership in the Council this year. He asked the guidance of the Executive Committee as to whether these persons should be approached now or after Annual Meeting to determine whether they are willing to serve. After some discussion, Mr. Marion Wright moved that this matter be left to the discretion of the Executive Director and Dr. Dent moved further that the full membership be asked to re-consider the action taken last year at Annual Meeting. Both motions were unanimously approved and adopted.

Invitations to Foundation Representatives to SRC Meetings

Mr. John Wheeler proposed to the Committee that invitations be periodically issued to key foundation representatives to sit in on SRC meetings, pointing out

that there would be no better way for foundation people to get a fuller insight into the inner workings of the Council and the Council's financial needs. The Committee concurred with Mr. Wheeler's feelings, but expressed uncertainty as to whether the Executive Committee meetings or the Annual Meetings would be more beneficial. In view of this uncertainty, it was unanimously agreed that this matter be tabled for future discussion.

With no other business, the meeting adjourned at 4:00 p. m.

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

BALANCE SHEET
June 30, 1963

ASSETS

Funds toward future obligations, 1963-64:			
Cash in Bank, Citizens Trust Company - Checking		$ 52,858.52	
Cash in Bank, Citizens Trust Company - Savings		42,864.48	
Cash in Bank, First National Bank - Checking		146,899.54	
Investment in Trust Fund, Trust			
Company of Georgia	$ 65,901.90		
Income reinvested	1,238.67	67,140.57	
13 Banks for Coop. Cons. Coll. Trust			
Deb. 3.20% due 12/2/63	$ 25,000.00		
Fed. Inter. Cr. Bank Deb. 3.30%			
Due 12/2/63	15,000.00	40,000.00	$349,763.11
Inventory, Pamphlets		$ 1,500.00	
Office Equipment		11,236.09	12,736.09
Total Assets			$362,499.20

LIABILITIES

Due to Special Projects, 1963-64:		
Voter Education Project	$145,692.93	
Registration and Voting Survey	1,552.91	
Trust for Burned Churches	5,317.35	
Southern Leadership Project	54,211.57	
Special Fund for Educational Projects	13,812.42	
New Orleans Project	813.59	
Research in Student Adjustment	(6,249.21)	
Consultant Service Program	526.34	
Fellowship of the Concerned	696.97	$216,374.87
Special Grants-in-Aid to Independent State Councils on Human Relations - 1963	$ 38,263.76	
Advance Appropriations, General Operations - 1963-64	8,472.72	
Reserve Fund	67,140.57	
Obligations Outstanding	5,678.67	119,555.72
Total Liabilities		$335,930.59
Excess of Assets over Liabilities		26,568.61
Total		$362,499.20

PROPOSED GRANTS-IN-AID SCHEDULE, 1964

Condition of grants:

1. Grants are payable quarterly on January 1, April 1, July 1, and October 1.

2. Grants will not be paid until such time as adequate quarterly program and financial reports have been received by SRC.

3. It is expected that local fund raising will be maintained at least at the level of that of 1963. Grants are subject to revision if this is not the case.

4. If a recipient state council ceases to employ professional staff, quarterly payments will be suspended pending alternative arrangements.

	Proposed 1964	Budgeted 1963
Alabama	$ 6,000	$ 6,600
Arkansas	5,400	5,400
Florida	5,400	7,400
Georgia	6,000	6,300
North Carolina*	5,900	5,900
South Carolina	6,000	6,300
Tennessee	6,000	6,300
Virginia	7,200	7,500
Mississippi	2,500	500
Houston	2,600	2,600
New Orleans	-	1,000
Contingency	2,000	
	$55,900	$55,800

In announcing the grants-in-aid program for 1964 the Southern Regional Council wishes to emphasize that this is the final year of the foundation grants which have made this program possible.

*Grants will not be made to the North Carolina Council until such time as that Council has $2,500 on hand and adequate arrangements have been made to employ professional staff.

The Council is hopeful these grants will be renewed after 1964 and that this program of financial assistance to state councils can continue. However, there is no assistance of this and the possible termination of this program must be considered.

With this in mind, the Executive Committee has directed the SRC staff to give all possible encouragement and assistance to state council programs and efforts aimed at strengthening program, increasing membership, and local financial support.

If the grants-in-aid program is continued after 1964, major attention will be directed toward assisting those state councils with the most productive programs, the highest degree of local support, and the greatest rate of increase in local support. Other factors such as program potential and the difficulty of operation will continue to be important considerations, but program quality will increasingly be of concern to the Southern Regional Council.

Meeting of the Executive Committee
September 24, 1963

RESOLUTION ON SRC'S CHARTER AND TAX-EXEMPTION

WHEREAS, pursuant to advice dated January 29, 1960 from the Chief of the Exempt Organizations Branch of the Internal Revenue Service, this corporation was advised "You will be expected in the future to conform your operations strictly with the 'operational tests' set forth in the regulations;" and

WHEREAS, pursuant to said "operational tests" an organization is not regarded as exempt if it is an "action" organization, which means that a substantial part of its activities is attempting to influence legislation, by propaganda or otherwise, either by contacting or urging the public to contact members of a legislative body for the purpose of proposing, supporting or opposing legislation, or advocating the adoption or rejection of legislation.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is stated to be the policy of this body that no officer, agent or employee of Southern Regional Council shall, in the course of its operations, either contact or urge the public to contact members of any legislative body for the purpose of proposing, supporting or opposing legislation, nor shall any such member advocate the adoption or rejection of any legislation;

RESOLVED: That counsel for the Southern Regional Council be directed, periodically, to scrutinize and evaluate the activities of members of the Staff so as to insure that such activities are consistent with the principles stated in this resolution and in the regulations defining the "operational tests" of the Internal Revenue Service;

RESOLVED FURTHER: That this resolution be read or referred to at every meeting of the Executive Committee, and shall be read at every annual meeting of Southern Regional Council.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That no member of the staff or of the Southern Regional Council has the authority to speak for the Southern Regional Council in matters which are inhibited by the Internal Revenue Code.

February, 1961

Circulated, read, & initialed at Executive Committee meeting, September 24, 1963:

J. C. Q.
Jim
RMW
M. D.
G. T. K.
Thomas Lecpamy
AHD
J. T. Hoop
H. F. W.
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M.A.W.

Memo FROM THE DESK OF **PAUL RILLING**

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Pls review asap
+ add or correct where
needed. Especially will you
go over carefully pp 4-8 (on the
program study) + re-write
as you think necessary, first
discussing with me

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The above suggestions were unanimously approved by the Committee.

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After ~~an~~ exchange of ideas about the Clark-staff reports, the staff was instructed to mail to the Executive Committee ~~one report~~ one (1) report embodying both the Clark and staff reports; the Clark report making up the first part, and the revised staff report, reflecting the changes as agreed upon by the Executive Committee, being the second part.

CONSIDERATION OF PUBLIC STATEMENT

The Executive Director reported that the staff had thought that in view of the recent atrocities in Birmingham a public statement deploring them was in order, and had asked Mr. Marion ~~Waright~~ Wright to draw up such a statement. However, the Committee was asked to ~~postpoin~~ postpone discussion ~~of the statement~~ until the next meeting in order for other matters to be reported on. It was so agreed.

OTHER BUSINESS

Recently Created Board Vacancies

Mr. Dunbar reported that since the last meeting of the Committee there had occurred the death of a SRC Board Member -- Mr. Charles Shaw of Houston, Texas on June 11, 1963. ~~He also reported the death of the Executive Director of the North Carolina Council on Human Relations, Mr. Harry Jones on August 26, 1963.~~

~~After hearing of those~~

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In addition to the discussion of specific recommendations, all of which were agreed to in principle, there was discussion of the format of the report and considerable discussion relating to the conclusion that several of the recommendations needed better substantiation. Dr. Dent, Miss Wilkins, and Dr. R. Wheeler, who had served on the Committee of Advisers, were asked by the Executive Committee consult further with the staff in revision of the report. The Executive Committee delegated to these three Members authority to approve the revision of the report in its behalf. The staff was further instructed to send to each member of the Executive Committee, in advance of the next meeting, a copy of the revised report and a copy of the Clark report for background.

Mr. Dunbar further reported that Rev. Kelly Miller Smith, a SRC Board Member, has resigned from the Council because he has left the region to accept a pulpit in Cleveland, Ohio.

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Following Mr. Dunbar's report, the following motion was made: <u>That the staff extend regrets to the families of both Mr. Shaw and Mr. Jones</u>.

LIFE FELLOWS: -LC

Mr. Dunbar pointed out that ~~the minutes of~~ last year's Annual Meeting made provisions for the election of Life Fellows. Those Life Fellows elected last year are Mrs. Jessie Daniel Ames, Mr. Leonard Haas, Dr. Gordon B. Hancock, Bishop M. LaFay Five persons were elected last year. ~~The only name proposed~~ Mr. Dunbar reported that the only name proposed this year, Mrs. David Terry, came from Mrs. Vivian Brewer of Arkansas, and asked the Committee's ~~action~~ ~~consideration~~ consideration of Mrs. Terry for election this year.

A lengthy discussion ~~evolved~~ ensued around Mrs. Terry's eligibility, in view of the fact that she is not now nor has ever been a member of the Council. Following discussion Dr. Stephen Wright suggested that this matter be tabled until the Committee had had an opportunity to give more thought to it, and Dr. John Griffin suggested that a copy of Mrs. Terry's biographical vita be sent to each member of the Committee for ~~their~~ study.

Nominations for New Members

Mr. Dunbar ~~reported~~ noted that ~~last year there had been some discussion about the state councils on human relations not getting fair representation in making nominations for new memberships in the Council. As a result of that discussion~~ the minutes of the Annual Meeting last year shows the following action: "That the Nominating Committee be requested to make the nominations before one session of the Council and that voting on the nominations be done at a subsequent session." In view of this action, Mr. Dunbar reported that he had been reluctant to approach ~~contact~~ persons whose names had been approved by the Nominating Committee ~~at this time~~ for membership in the Council this year. He asked the guidance of the Executive Committee ~~as to what steps should~~ ~~should be taken~~ as to whether these persons should be approched

now ~~or~~ after Annual Meeting to ~~&&~~ determine whether they are willing to serve. ~~on the Board.~~ After some discussion, ~~of this matter~~, Mr. Marion Wright moved that this matter be left to the discretion of the Executive Director and Dr. Dent moved that the ~~Executive Committee Annual Meeting be asked~~ full membership be asked to re-consider ~~this~~ the action taken last year at Annual Mtg. Both motions were unanimously approved and adopted.

Invitations to Foundation Representatives ~~Heads~~ to SRC Meetings: 27/58

Mr. John Wheeler proposed to the Committee that invitations be periodically issued to key foundation representatives to sit in on SRC meetings, pointing out that ~~this~~ there would be no better way ~~to~~ for foundation people to get a fuller insight into the inner workings of the Council and the Council's financial needs. ~~(Financially & than through their meetings)~~ The Committee concurred with Mr. Wheeler's feelings, but expressed ~~an~~ uncertainty as to ~~which~~ whether the Executive Committee meetings or the Annual Meetings would be ~~the~~ more ~~most~~ beneficial. In view of this uncertainty, it was unanimously agreed that this matter be tabled for future discussion.

With no other business, the meeting adjourned at 4:00 pm

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Virginia	7,200	7,500
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BOARD SEAL FOR

MEMORANDUM October 4, 1963

To: Executive Committee Members

From: Mildred M. Johnson

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You will recall from the September 24 meeting of the Committee that the staff was asked to send to each of you a copy of Mrs. David Terry's vita for your study to determine her eligibility for election to the Council as a Life Fellow. Enclosed.

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SEAL FOR A MEMBER

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia

MEMORANDUM October 17, 1963

To: Members of the Executive Committee

From: Mildred M. Johnson

Re: Minutes of the September 24 Meeting

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The minutes of the September 24 meeting of the Committee, just sent to you, reflect a statement of error on page 5, paragraph 2, where Dr. Dent, Miss Wilkins, and Dr. R. Wheeler are named as the three persons to consult with the staff in revising the Program Review and Evaluation report. Would you, therefore, substitute the name of Mrs. Grace Hamilton for that of Miss Josephine Wilkins, since Miss Wilkins' name appears in error.

Vernon — Sept. 30, 1964 Exf. Cttee Mtg

October 1, 1964

Les,

I have gone through my notes of yesterday, and listed below are several things the Committee either agreed on in principle or took formal action on which the staff will need to follow-up.

1. Send notes to Stephen Wright and C. G. Gomillion

2. Notify Ben Muse that the Committee unanimously re-elected him to the Board effective immediately

3. Staff to secure confirmation from Gov. Carl Sanders that the usual courtesies extended to a visiting governor will also be extended to Gov. Terry Sandford in Nov. Sanders should be invited to attend either Friday luncheon or Annual Dinner, or both.

4. Committee voted to place the following names in nomination for life fellowships to be considered in its meeting prior to Annual Meeting:
   Carter Wesley?
   W. D. Weatherford
   Ralph McGill
   Judge J. Waties Waring
   Mrs. Terry
   (It was agreed in principle that Mr. Hodding Carter be elected to Life Fellowship)

5. That LWD article on SRC (done for the Annals) be given to the full Council in November to be used as background for discussion of the State Council Directors' recommendations.

OTHER ACTIONS TAKEN:

(1) re: Georgia Unemployment Compensation Act.

Dr. H. F. Wms. moved and it was unanimously approved and adopted that it is the consensus of the Exe. Cttee that SRC desires to afford its employees the protection provided by voluntary participation in the Georgia Unemployment Compensation Act, and that the officers and staff of SRC are authorized to arrange for this protection provided that, as of the day such arrangements are made and forward, it is in no sense retroactive.

(2) re: ACRC and VEP Matter.

Dr. H. F. Wms. moved and it was unanimously approved and adopted that it is the feeling of the Executive Committee that due diligence and precaution have been used by the SRC-VEP staffs to maintain a non-partisan position in administering and carrying out the Voter Education Project.

(3) re: State Council Directors' Recommendations.

It was the consensus of the Exec. Cttee. that dur9ng discussion of the report from state directors that the staff, with representation from the Exec. Cttee, outline what the staff feels is possible of accomplishment in light of SRC's present emphasis; permit discussion about any changes in emphasis and direction which might be felt needed, and to urge as many members of the Exec. Cttee as possible to attend the one-day session of state groups in November.

(4) re: Ed Lewis's salary (FCHR).

It was approved and adopted, with one abstention by Dr. H. F. Wms, President of the Florida Council, that the staff be authorized to fulfill its commitment to pay the salary of Ed Lewis, Exec. Dir. of the Fla. Council on Human Relations, for the remainder of this year; $1,382.00 of which to be paid from the balance of the "Operation Opportunity" special summer project, and any amount above that, up to $2,200.00, to be drawn from SRC general operating funds.

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The tragic events which have occurred in Birmingham will have taught the South nothing if they result only in search for a scapegoat, one who will "bear upon him all our iniquities into a land not inhabited," as the Biblical phrase has it. Certainly the search is not difficult. There abound in many quarters in the South mean and ignoble spirits, who from governors' offices and legislative halls, by calculated words and deeds, have inspired stupid and brutal men to barbaric acts.

But, if we are to seek for first causes, these political figures are themselves mere creations. Their words receive attention and their acts have authority only because they occupy the pedestal of office. We, the voters, placed them there, "drest them in a little brief authority," and so gave them forum and power. We begin to pay in flame and blood for our folly.

Too often these who "strut and fret their hour upon the stage" have had accomplices of surface ~~respectabil~~ respectability -- irresponsible elements of press and bar, the White Citizens Councils, and, in some instances, the pulpit. The press, by urging resistance; the bar, by devising evasive schemes and interposing fictitious defenses, and the pulpit, by giving ecclesiastical sanction to segregation -- all set in motion forces which came to flower in a charred church and four small graves.

The list might be indefinitely extended. There are in every state a company of accessories to the ~~and~~ murders, bombings, assaults, intimidations, repressions and lesser

crimes which stain Southern annals. Sneers about the "Warren Court"; endless prating about "our Southern way of life"; the cries of "~~nigger~~ "nigger lover"; the tattered and vulgar jokes about Negroes and the accompanying thigh-slapping and guffaws; the vote to turn them out ~~of the church~~ if they come to our church; the ostentatious change of seats in bus ~~and~~ or plane if the next seat is occupied by a dark-skinned person; the sneer and the scowl designed to put them in their place -- all of these and much more known to every Southerner have helped to create the soil and climate in which our prize crop of demagogues has thrived. These are activities of those positively if unconsciously involved in setting the stage for things with ~~bob~~ bombs.

But, paradoxically, the most serious offenders have been the uninvolved. They are the persons of anemic decency, "the meanly wise and feebly good," who have sat out this social revolution. They were not active parties to the dishonorable evasive maneuvers which preceded violence; they had no hand in their state's ~~pretense~~ pretension to compliance with law while actually defying it; they were not massive resisters or token integrationists; they initiated no policy of exclusion of Negroes from church membership or swimming pools or golf courses. Nothing overt can be laid at their doors. But they are guilty of the monstrous sin of uninvolvement, of benevolent neutrality, of disengagement from the struggle which raged about them. They had weight and power which were not used. Evil succeeds when good men do nothing. Not to participate in a crucial moral conflict may insure a whole

skin which houses a craven heart.

Justice Holmes said: "I think that, as life is action and passion, it is required of a man that he should share the passion and action of his time at peril of being judged not to have lived."

How many white Southerners and how few Negro Southerners failed to share the passion and action of their time!

Shall Birmingham's lamented and tragically dead have died in vain? If we go back to business as usual; if we engage in legalistic arguments over the right to expel a customer; if we resume the petty school tokenism which means also moral tokenism; if gradualism is still our shibboleth -- the sacrifice shall have little availed. But if, at last, shocked and contrite, we marshal the region's moral resources, if the white South will match the Negro's courage and nobility, we shall emerge from the Birmingham horror, cleansed, purged and dedicated to the creation of a more nearly perfect society.

In their deaths ~~[illegible]~~ four little girls may lead the South into a more abundant life.

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REPORT OF
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE TO THE
SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, IN ANNUAL MEETING
NOVEMBER 25, 26, 1963

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Since the full Council was last assembled your Executive Committee has met ~~four~~ five times to carry out the mandates of the 1962 Annual Meeting and to give policy direction to the staff.

We are pleased to report that, in our opinion, this year has been one of the most productive in the Council's history. The unprecedented events of this centennial year placed unanticipated and unusually heavy demands upon us. The Council met these new challenges forthrightly and positively. This is encouraging as we approach the end of the Council's 20th year of operation and eagerly anticipate another year of change and growth in our region.

Nine outstanding Southerners nominated by this body last year have accepted membership in the Council. They are:

CLASS OF 1965

Mrs. Moise Cahn, New Orleans

NEW MEMBERS TO CLASS OF 1966

Roosevelt D. Crockett - Little Rock, Ark.
Edward Haddock - Richmond, Va.
Mrs. Martin Harvey - Jackson, Miss.
Robert J. Harris - Charlottesville, Va.
John G. Lewis - Baton Rouge, La.
J. Rupert Picott - Richmond, Va.
William H. Townsend - Little Rock, Ark.
Nat Welch - Auburn, Ala.
Moreland G. Smith - Montgomery, Ala.

Most of these new members are with us today. We welcome them and the contributions they have to make to the deliberations of this body.

We note with sadness the death of two of our colleagues this year, Dr. H. Council Trenholm, Sr. and Mr. Charles Shaw. Also the death of Mr. Harry Jones, Executive Director of the North Carolina Council on Human Relations. Condolences expressing the sympathy of the Executive Committee on behalf of the Council were conveyed to the families of each.

Regretfully, Rev. Kelly Miller Smith of Nashville, Tennessee, has resigned, having accepted a pulpit in Cleveland, Ohio.

During the year the Executive Committee, acting on the recommendations from the Personnel Committee, has reviewed salaries, granted merit increases, and otherwise carried out its responsibilities with regard to personnel.

Mr. Paul Anthony, formerly the Executive Assistant, was appointed Director of Field Activities following the resignation of Mr. Paul Rilling. Mr. Anthony in his years at SRC has acquired the skills and knowledge that should make him an excellent field director, as indeed he has already demonstrated.

Three additions have been made to the professional staff. Mr. Randolph T. Blackwell was named Field Director of the Voter Education Project. Mr. Blackwell, formerly taught government and economics at Winston-Salem State Teachers College and Alabama A & M College and was active in voter registration in Huntsville, Alabama.

Mr. Vernon E. Jordan, Jr., a Howard Law School graduate and for two years the Georgia Field Secretary of NAACP was appointed Assistant to the Executive Director. Mr. Pat Watters, writer, one-time city editor of the Atlanta Journal, and more recently a daily columnist on the Journal, accepted the position of Director of Information. Miss Margaret Long, formerly the Director of Information, continues in her capacity as the editor of New South.

A staff priority this year has been an evaluation of the Council's present program activities and determining what new guidelines are needed for future activities of the Council. A Board Advisory Committee has consulted and met with the staff in preparation of the program review. You have the final document with you which Mr. Dunbar will discuss with us as a part of his report.

The George S. Mitchell Memorial Award Committee has exchanged correspondence in an effort to establish the criteria for presenting such an award. The Committee met here last night and will make its final report to us today.

The Committee continued to give guidance to the Voter Education Project. The Committee thinks that the Voter Education Project is one of the most important programs in race relations in the South today, and will have real value long after the termination of the Project.

Field activities and services took on new directions and programs as the field department acted to meet the needs required by this somewhat unusual year. Special attention was given to assisting Save-the-School groups in preparation for September 1963 school desegregation.

Special emphasis was placed on state councils on human relations, most of whom had a year of increased program activity and a higher degree of local support. During the year the Mississippi Council was reestablished under the able direction of Dr. A. D. Beittel. With considerable assistance from SRC members in the state, the Florida Council was reorganized and professional staff has been secured.

Research and publication have had a good year. We note particularly the widespread notice and attention given the following publications: Morland's Token Desegregation and Beyond; Coles' The Desegregation of Southern Schools: A Psychiatric Study; Henderson's The Economic Status of Negroes: In the Nation and in the South; and, Plans for Progress. The New South issue on the "March on Washington" was well received. Reprints of these publications are very likely due to the numerous requests for their use.

Following its meeting of May 21, 1963 your Executive Committee released to the press on May 26 a statement. The statement embodied the following:

(1) An affirmation that segregation and discrimination are morally wrong.

(2) An expression of indignation over the arrests in Birmingham.

(3) A recognition that the recent Supreme Court decisions have provided the South a second opportunity to show that it has respect for, and will obey the highest law in the land.

(4) An appeal to the South to pursue a different course of action than that followed after the 1954 decision.

The Executive Committee has exercised its responsibility in supervising the grants-in-aid program for the State Councils on Human Relations. We are pleased to report that most of the State Councils are showing increased vigor in both program and fund-raising. Later in the meeting, you will have before you, for approval, the grants-in-aid schedule for 1964, which has been reviewed and approved by the Executive Committee. For 1963,

we recommend an increase of approximately 10% over the rate of the funds granted for the past several years. The recommendations for 1964 are generally consistent with 1963.

Fund-raising remains a perennial problem. During 1963 we have been operating on a general operations budget of $178.481. You will be presented to the Committee's recommendation for a general operations budget of approximately $212,481, for 1964, an increase of $34,000. The increased budget takes into account normal program expansion, additional staff, and the recommendations of the "Program Review and Evaluation," which we shall discuss later in the meeting.

The proposed budget which will be submitted to you tomorrow, if approved, will call for approximately $99,000 in funds beyond those now committed. Of that amount we are hopeful that some $50,000 - 60,000 will come from sources which have contributed in the past. Approximately $39,000 - 49,000 will have to be raised from new sources. In short, the matter of maintaining support from contributors and that of cultivating new sources continues to be a major concern and activity of the Committee and the Executive Director.

In conclusion, it is the opinion of your Executive Committee that the year has been a good and productive one. We feel that the ever-increasing activities of the Council and the growing demands being made upon it are an encouraging indication of the organization's effectiveness and a measure of the confidence which others have in us.

There is nothing in our accomplishments which gives cause for complacency, too much remains undone, and the challenge before us is too great. However, as we approach 1964 -- the Council's 21st year of operation -- we can do so with the assurance that the Southern Regional Council is a constructive and responsible force in these changing times.

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Sept. 1963

~~MEMORANDUM~~ August 14, 1963

To: Members of the Executive Committee

From: Mildred M. Johnson

Re: ~~September Meeting~~.

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Wed. Sep 29 + Thurs. Sep 30

~~Tuesday, September 24~~ and Wednesday, September 25 have been chosen as the best possible dates for the next Executive Committee meeting. Would you, therefore, indicate on the enclosed card whether it will be possible for you to be in attendance on either of these dates, and which of these you prefer.

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Ray Wheeler
John Wheeler

HAAS, HOLLAND & ZINKOW

HERBERT J. HAAS (1905-1953)

JOSEPH F. HAAS
J. KURT HOLLAND
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LAW OFFICES
FIRST NATIONAL BANK BUILDING
ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA

November 18, 1963

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar, Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia - 30303

Dear Les:

I have yours of November 8th enclosing the proposed statement of the Council to be introduced for approval on November 25th.

While there are some areas of this release which I think are dubious from the standpoint of the possible reaction of our friends in the Labor Department, I think for the present we should wait and see if we get a decision from the Board between now and the 25th. If we get a favorable decision, then I would say that we are probably in the clear to let it go, but if we get an unfavorable decision, or if we had not heard, then I would want to talk to you about possibly making some changes. You understand, of course, that it is not a question of how I feel about these things, but how I think the matter may be interpreted by those who disagree with the general viewpoint of the Council.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Joe

JOSEPH F. HAAS

JFH:RS

Mr. Wright
I have told Joe that if we have not heard favorably by Nov. 25, Atlanta Lee you he & I should huddle before the meeting

Inasmuch as the annual meeting was duly called for Nov 25, 1963 and could not meet because of the national mourning for President Kennedy I move that the Exec Comm. ratify and approve the action of the officers in adjourning annual meeting to Jan 1964,

E. R. Haas

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¶ In the face of rising unemployment the need to eliminate discrimination in employment and in training for employment is urgent and calls for massive action. While we recognize the effort of some state governments and responsibility of ~~state governments~~ all human resources. we think that federal leadership is a necessity.

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P 5 Current rate of unemployment not only threatens to hasten another recession, but ~~aggravates~~ the mitigates against the best efforts of the most concerned to eliminate discrimination. Moreover, the rising unemployment and scarcity of job opportunities ~~plus~~ promises more demonstrations ~~which are~~ engendered by hunger. ~~Rights to jobs~~ Job rights are consonant with equal rights in all areas.

Paul Christopher

(America is a better land because of the brilliant thrust of President John Fitzgerald Kennedy's moral and political leading, and we join with President Johnson in a determination to reach the ends he sought.)

(While we recognize and urge the responsibilities in this great effort of state governments -- and we are especially gratified by recent educational programs announced by the state of North Carolina -- we think federal leadership is a necessity.)

(American needs to dedicate itself to the rescue and the cultivation of its human resources.)

A proposed public statement, to be placed before the Council on November 25 for discussion and approval.

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STATEMENT OF VIEWS

By the
Southern Regional Council

I. Three Centuries of Moral Crisis

The South's history for centuries has been intertwined with the travail of racial unrest and injustice. This injustice has been condoned and shared by the other sections of the United States and, indeed, has been part of the common practice of the European-American world. There is nowhere we can turn that the infection of racial prejudice and discrimination has not spread.

These are days of turmoil, but also of hope. Negro Southerners, and Negro Americans generally, in their long struggle against injustice have steadfastly rejected the self-defeating temptations of those who proclaim that Negroes should segregate themselves from whites behind their own wall of hatred; of those who have advocated organized violent reprisal against white men; and of those who by insidious teaching and tactics have urged Negro Americans to join the ranks of the world-wide Communist conspiracy

against constitutional democracy. They have, on the contrary, held to their faith in American institutions and to the inextinguishable instinct of men to deal fairly and honorably with each other.

White Southerners have a much inferior record of loyalty to the principles of America and of the Judeo-Christian relation. They have been subverted in great numbers by bodies such as the Ku Klux Klan and the white Citizens Councils, which are a corruption of all that American ideals proclaim. Even worse, they have in yet larger numbers surrendered to those social and economic desires and conveniences which blunt the moral sensitivity of men and women toward their neighbors.

Today, however, white Southerners are manifesting a new and a quickened understanding of the political and economic dependence of the South's peoples on one another, and, above all, of their moral interdependence. Generations of white and Negro people have equally and together built this region, imparted to it what virtues and strengths it has, and made the South's positive contributions to the nation and to all mankind.

Out of affection for the South, and out of a belief in the sanctity of every individual as a child beloved of God, we offer the following thoughts to the public in this year 1963, the centennial of several great events of

American history and a year also of unprecedented disorder and anxiety.

II. The Two Leading Issues

In the past, and most especially during the last 80 years or so, the South has deliberately created laws and public policies to keep its two races apart and to discriminate against its Negro citizens. At the same time, southern political leaders contended that law can never be used to bring the two races together or to suppress discrimination. They had thus effectively removed from Negro Southerners every power and privilege of protest, except the privilege of leaving family and neighbors by moving to the North or West.

That we have progressed far in the years since World War II is evidenced by the fact that the present two issues of greatest urgency to our domestic tranquillity are the uses of law and public policy to undo the wrongs of the past, and the right and propriety of protest demonstrations to speed this process.

III. Law is the Servant of Justice

As to the first issue, and while recommending that voluntary solutions to cure racial inequities should always be sought diligently by both white and Negro leaders, we think there is a clear necessity for legislative and executive

actions by the local, state, and federal governments. We are not, in the South or in the country as a whole, starting from scratch; we have an enormous housecleaning and re-building job, and governmental power should be employed for this public service.

Under our system of federalism, most of the issues of civil rights and race relations could be settled by action of local and state governments. Only their failure to do so has caused the federal government to intervene and continues to make strong federal action necessary, because the condition of our Constitutional rights and of our race relations is a national burden and disgrace. In this connection, we take great encouragement from those federal court decisions and those state enactments which are ending to some extent the vicious and undemocratic apportionment of seats in our legislatures and in Congress; there is good reason to hope that, as urban centers of the South are accorded their fair representation, and government thereby becomes responsive to majority opinion and needs, a new and more responsible politics will grow up in the South.

The increase of federal concern and activity in recent years has done much good. However, Congress and the President need to recognize fully and clearly the two requirements of what is called the "Negro revolt." One

is that there be an end now to all forms of institutionalized segregation and discrimination; on this there can be no viable compromise. The other is that affirmative measures be adopted to integrate Negroes and other minorities into free participation in the national economy.

The federal government does not serve the public well when, through either legislative or executive actions, it offers minimal help; when it treats symptoms and not the problems; when it merely palliates disorders, leaving them to fester and nag at the nerves of the people; when it enacts measures or makes pronouncements as mere gestures of appeasement, empty of real consequence.

Moreover, there is a large area of direct federal responsibility where action, though hearteningly begun, has been far from enough. We refer to the administration of federal programs, particularly those involving the distribution of large sums of money, as in various grants-in-aid, in agricultural assistance and subsidies, in research subsidies, and in procurement of supplies. The federal government has no right, we believe, to allow its money to be spent in ways that perpetuate or strengthen discrimination against the welfare of any class of citizens.

Again we indicate our belief that vital problems of race relations could be well settled by state and local communities. We commend those southern cities which in

recent months have established effective bi-racial committees. We believe that the essence of good human relations lies in the search, within each community, for laws and practices mutually satisfying to all its residents. We believe that the South, and each community of it, and the nation to which they all belong, must take an interest in the welfare and the development of each individual, and that only as it does so will it itself prosper.

We believe that the South, difficult as are its present problems and unhappy as its history has been, can, nevertheless, make a new social life that is richly humane, because it will have grown out of the honestly faced and concrete necessities of a common life. As today's immediate challenge is civil rights, so tomorrow's will be full integration. We are optimistic that a new South, born of struggle, will, with courage and intelligence, re-shape its economic and educational practices as needed to integrate all its people into a society that serves the free and full development of each individual.

The means to this end is a thoroughly democratic, thoroughly responsible politics.

IV. An Historic Opportunity

There is no virtue *per se* in street demonstrations, but only the self-blinded fail to see the grandeur of

the protest movement which since early 1960 has surged through the South.

Through this movement Negroes seek no rights or privileges for themselves alone. They seek only those belonging to all American citizens. A wise society would encourage and applaud this discontent with inferior status.

Demonstrations are a direct reaction to the failure or the laggardness of white leadership. The public leaders of the South have it in their power at any time to stop demonstrations by satisfying the demands of the federal Constitution, of justice and of religion.

We are little impressed by public opinion polls which reveal Negro bitterness or white prejudice. No informed and intelligent observer has ever doubted the existence of either. Bitterness and prejudice are now, as they have always been, the conditions against which the responsible institutions of American society -- governments, churches, press, educational and professional institutions, business corporations -- must contend and which they must rectify.

We commend those Negro and white citizens who, through lawful assembly, peaceful picketing, and other forms of orderly demonstrations have used the methods of democracy to advance human rights.

We commend their leaders, who have constantly taught that demonstrations must be non-violent, in spirit as well as in form.

Statement - 8.
November 1963

We ask the nation's understanding of and compassion for those white Southerners who, because of the teaching and example of their civic leaders, perpetuate violence and spread malice. We would remind our fellow Southerners that, as the record clearly shows, the bombers, the killers, the haters never act except in areas where they are tolerated by official and community attitudes.

We come back, therefore, to the need for strengthening the leadership of the South. Because we believe profoundly in democracy, we think that democratization of southern public life is the pathway to strength. We believe that the greatest contribution which Negro Southerners can made today to the national welfare and to their own is to register and to vote responsibly, and, together with white citizens, to establish truly representative government in the South.

The qualities which are exhibited in the protest demonstrations are qualities that deserve other outlets. Patience, forbearance, faith in human decency, reliance upon intellectual and moral power -- these are qualities needed in politics, in the schools and universities, in the churches, in business, in all of our society. May this nation have the wisdom to draw strength from them.

Sent 11-26-63
N. M.

T E L E G R A M

TO: THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

MESSAGE: The EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL WILL MEET AT 10:00 A. M. ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 9, 1963, IN ATLANTA. PLEASE ADVISE IF YOU CAN OR CAN NOT BE PRESENT.

SIGNED: _____

Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director

SEND TO:

Mr. Paul R. Christopher yes
AFL-CIO Regional Director
216 Flatiron Bldg.
Knoxville, Tenn.

Dr. John A. Griffin no
Florida State University
Tallahassee, Fla.

Grace Hamilton (yes)
R. E. Clement (yes)

Mr. John P. Nelson, Jr. no
702 Gravier Bldg.
535 Gravier Street
New Orleans, 12, La.

Dr. Raymond Wheeler yes
1900 Brunswick Avenue
Charlotte, N. C.

Dr. Stephen J. Wright
President
Fisk University
Nashville, Tenn.
Cannot Come

Mr. Thomas W. Young yes
(Editor & Publisher)
The Journal & Guide
719 E. Olney Road
Norfolk, Virginia

Mr. Marion A. Wright yes
Top Knot
Linville Falls, N. C.

Dr. Albert W. Dent yes
President
Dillard University
New Orleans, La.

Mr. James McBride Dabbs yes
Rip Raps Plantation
Mayesville, S. C.

Mr. John H. Wheeler yes
President
Mechanics & Farmers Bank
Durham, N. C.

Dr. H. Franklin Williams yes
The University of Miami
Coral Gables, Fla.
Can Come

Cannot Come:
Joe Wilkins

Joe Haas (?)

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DECEMBER 9 THRU 18 INCLUSIVE IN VIEW OF THE SHORT LEAD TIME
FOR NOTICE OF MEETING WE MAY HAVE TO PROCEED WITH SMALL REPRESENTATION
OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
S J WRIGHT
(38).

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GEORGE MEANY
PRESIDENT

WM. F. SCHNITZLER
SECRETARY-TREASURER

REGION NO. 8, PAUL R. CHRISTOPHER, DIRECTOR
216 FLATIRON BUILDING
705 BROADWAY, N. E.
KNOXVILLE 17, TENNESSEE
524-7481-2

November 27, 1963

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar, Executive Director
Southern Regional Council
Room 201
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Leslie:

With reference to your telegram received to date, please be advised that I will make arrangements to attend the meeting of the Executive Committee of the Southern Regional Council in Atlanta on Monday, December 9, 1963.

Sincerely,

Paul Christopher

Paul R. Christopher
AFL-CIO Region VIII Director

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

November 27, 1963

Dr. Leslie Dunbar
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Les:

I have your telegram of today and will plan to be present for the Executive Committee meeting on Monday, December 9 beginning at 10:00 a.m.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

A. W. Dent
President

AWD:db

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1900 BRUNSWICK AVENUE
CHARLOTTE 7, N. C.

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DAVID S. CITRON, M.D.
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CLINTON H. McKAY, M.D.
THOMAS H. McMILLAN, JR., M.D.
RAYMOND M. WHEELER, M.D.

November 29, 1963

Leslie W. Dunbar
Southern Regional Council Inc.
5 Forsythe Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Leslie:

I plan to attend the Executive Committee meeting on Monday, December 9.

Looking forward to seeing you then.

Sincerely yours,

RMWheeler

Raymond M. Wheeler, M.D.

RMW/alv

December 2, 1963

Mr. Benjamin Muse
P. O. Box 312
Manassas, Virginia

Dear Mr. Muse:

Les asked me to drop you a note to tell you that we now have plans underway to hold an Executive Committee meeting on December 9. Les, of course, wants you to know that it is entirely up to you as to whether or not you come -- but you are invited.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Mildred M. Johnson
Secretary to the Director

MMJ

JAMES M. DABBS, PRESIDENT
MARION A. WRIGHT, VICE-PRESIDENT
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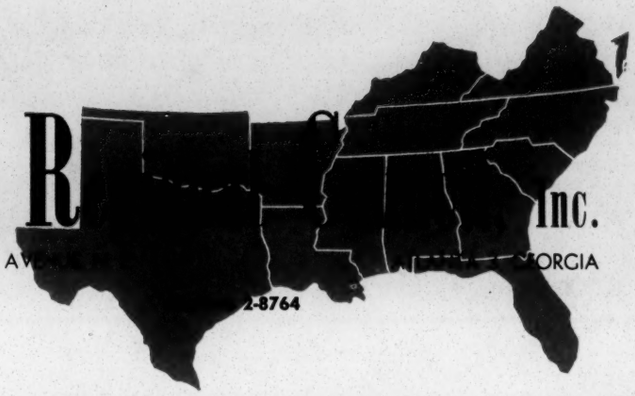

A Council to attain, through research and action, the ideals and practices of equal opportunity for all peoples in the South.

Linville Falls, N. C.
December 5, 1963

Dr. Leslie Dunbar
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Les:

I agree that it would be well for the Executive Committee to approve the kind of statement we have in mind. Since the meeting will not be immediately followed by the meeting of the entire board there will be ample opportunity for consideration.

Best regards.

Yours sincerely,

M. A. W.

M. A. Wright

MAW:mg

Mon Dec 9

10:00

Clement — O.K.

Hamilton — O.K.

Haas — Can not give Confirmation

JA-5-6831

December 9, 1963

Mrs. M. E. Tilly
Emory University Hospital
Room 621-E
Emory University
Atlanta 22, Georgia

Dear Mrs. Tilly:

We have just finished up our Executive Committee meeting, and you were sorely missed. The Committee wanted you to know this, and that it wishes for you a very quick recovery. The card bears the signature of each Member present to convey this message to you.

As for myself, I'm sure you know that you have my sincere best wishes for a speedy recovery. We'll all be glad to see you back in the office, and everyone on the staff has been asking about you.

Sincerely yours,

Mildred M. Johnson

MMJ

PROPOSED AGENDA

Executive Committee Meeting
December 9, 1963

10:00 AM **EXECUTIVE SESSION**
(Staff on Call)

Invocation

Adoption of Agenda

Approval of Minutes of Last Meeting

Circulation of Statement on Tax Exemption

GENERAL SESSION

Approval of Budget for 1964
(Mr. Dunbar)

SRC Unemployment Tax Situation
(Mr. Haas & Mr. Dunbar)

Discussion of Proposed Public Statement
(Mr. M. A. Wright)

Eligibility of Life Fellowships
(Mr. Dunbar)

Other Business

3:00PM ADJOURNMENT

Note: Lunch will be available at 12:30 pm or thereafter, at the convenience of the Committee.

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The meeting of the Executive Committee convened in the Conference Room of the Southern Regional Council on Monday, December 9, 1963 at 10:00 a.m.

Those present: Mr. Christopher, Dr. Clement, Mr. Dabbs, Dr. Dent, Mrs. Hamilton, Mr. John Wheeler (presiding), Dr. Raymond Wheeler, Dr. Williams, and Mr. Young.

All members of the professional staff were present, with the exception of Mrs. M. E. Tilly, who was absent because of illness, and Mr. Randolph Blackwell of the VEP.

EXECUTIVE SESSION 18
(Staff on Call)

Following invocation the agenda and the minutes of the last meeting were approved. The resolution on SRC's tax exemption was circulated and signed by all members present.

Appointment of Mr. Pat Watters as director of Information, effective November 1, 1963, was approved. → over

GENERAL SESSION

~~NEW STAFF~~

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Mr. Dunbar introduced to the Committee Mr. ~~Pat~~ Watters, who has recently joined the staff of SRC as ~~Director of Information.~~

DISCUSSION OF ANNUAL MEETING AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Because the Annual Meeting, scheduled for November 25 and 26, was postponed because of national mourning for President Kennedy new dates have been chosen -- January 29 and 30; the meeting now to be held at the Peachtree Manor Hotel instead of the Howard Johnson South Motel as previously planned.

Mr John Wheeler raised the question of how well SRC was reaching its recommitted. Mr Alembar (who was present during the Executive session) ~~comm~~ responded that the staff felt little satisfaction over its efforts or success in this direction. There followed extensive discussion.

Mr. Dunbar reported that ~~some~~ effort ~~by the staff~~ had gone into securing a desirable hotel in Atlanta in which our 1963 Annual Meeting could be held, and had encountered great difficulty, ~~in doing so~~ since most Atlanta hotels and restaurants continue to be segregated ~~in spite of reports to the contrary~~. Mr. Dunbar ~~that the Committee~~ asked the guidance of the Committee ~~in this matter.~~

The question was raised as to which cities in the South now have open policies in regard to hotel and restaurant accommodations. The following cities were cited: Charlottesville, ~~Va.~~; Norfolk, ~~Va.~~; ~~Nashville, Tenn.~~, Richmond, ~~Va.~~; Knoxville and Nashville, Tenn., Durham, N. C., and Charleston, S. C., where at least one hotel is desegregated.

After some discussion, Dr. Dent made the following motion, which was unanimously approved and adopted: <u>Resolved, that the Executive Committee instruct the staff to schedule the 1964 and subsequent Annual Meetings, and the 1964 and subsequent general meetings of the Fellowship of the Concerned, in no city in which public accommodations and facilities are segregated</u>.

Dr. Clement pointed out that Atlanta has not been as forthright in its stand on civil rights as press reports would have us believe; consequently, Atlanta's image has been greatly distorted. ~~In light of this,~~ Dr. Clement suggested, and the Committee concurred, that the above resolution be enlarged, by the staff, to include more rationale in order to point out the comparison between Atlanta desegregation and desegregation accomplished in other southern cities; the resolution then to be given wide circulation.

In connection with the postponement of the Annual Meeting the following motion was made by Dr. H. Franklin Williams:

Inasmuch as the Annual Meeting was duly called for November 25 and 26, and could not meet because of the national mourning for President Kennedy, ~~I move that~~ the Executive Committee ~~ratify and~~ approve the action of the officers + staff in adjourning the 1963 Annual Meeting to January 1964. The motion was ~~so moved~~ unanimously approved and adopted by the Committee.

Mr. Dunbar pointed out that because circumstances ~~have~~ make ~~required~~ desirable that the Executive Committee meet again in January, prior to Annual Meeting, the spring meeting ~~will~~ should be advanced to April instead of May, as has been customary.

Dr. Dent suggested that as a matter of economy ~~ies~~ and convenience to Members, the time of future Committee meetings might be set from 12:00 noon to about 4:00 p.m., as opposed to 10:00 am to 3:00 pm, which would give Members an opportunity to travel to and from Atlanta on the day of the meetings, and thus eliminate the cost of overnight lodgings for those who heretofore had to be in the city the night before, and at the same time would allow for more convenient travel ~~accommodations for~~ arrangements for some Members. Mr. John Wheeler suggested that this matter be left to the discretion of the staff; however, the consensus of the Committee indicated that ~~this would be more convenient.~~ the suggestion should be treated

P. 6 ~~At this point,~~ Dr. H. Franklin Williams suggested that the Executive Committee send some form of greeting to Mrs. Tilly in the hospital. ~~Mr. Young suggested further that a greeting card be purchased and signed by each Member present, and forwarded to Mrs. Tilly by the staff. This suggestion was carried out when the Committee reconvened after lunch.~~ This was done.

APPROVAL OF THE BUDGET FOR 1964

Mr. Dunbar submitted for approval the proposed 1964 Budget. He pointed out that the increasing or decreasing of some items ~~shown on the budget~~ was based on actual expenditures for the first 10 months of 1963.

The rent increase ~~It was pointed out that the "rent" figure~~ proposed for 1964 assumes ~~is an increase of $1,720 over that budgeted for 1963~~. ~~This increase is made on the assumption~~ that SRC offices will be moved to occupy the entire fifth floor of 5 Forsyth Street in order to get needed additional space. The move would include both the SRC central and VEP offices; the space to be occupied by the VEP to be so located & partitioned as to allow it to be sub-leased, if that ~~it~~ becomes necessary or desirable. ~~Sub-lease~~ rights will be ~~have been officially~~ granted by the building management, which

~~Mr. Dunbar reported that the building management~~ has offered to rent the fifth floor to SRC for $883.33 per month; an actual increase of about $143.00 considering the present combined monthly rents of central SRC and VEP of $740.00. ~~A brief discussion ensued during which it was pointed out that the VEP should be required to take on an additional portion of the rent~~. After discussion, the following motion was made by Dr. Dent, and unanimously approved by the Committee: That the Committee approves in principle ~~principal~~ the ~~staff's~~ moving ~~moving~~ to the fifth floor, with details to be worked out and approved by a committee composed of ~~the Executive Director~~, ~~Mr. Haas~~, Dr. Clement & ~~and Dr. Clement~~, Mr. Haas, & Mr. Dunbar.

Mr. Dunbar pointed out that the expenditures involved in making the move to the fifth floor would be taken from the SRC Reserve Fund. The Committee expressed approval.

It was ~~then~~ moved and unanimously adopted that the 1964 Budget be approved.

Dr. Dent suggested to the Executive Director that an approach be made to the Fund for the Advancement of Education in the hope of obtaining funds ~~for~~ to support the work to be carried on in our information, research and field activities as outlined in the Program Review and Evluation report.

DISCUSSION OF SRC UNEMPLOYMENT TAX SITUATION

Mr. Dunbar reported on SRC's encounter with the Georgia State Unemployment Security Division. The Division has filed a claim against SRC for taxes dating back seven years, and ~~totalling~~ totaling, with penalties, $19,022.09, because the Council is not now or ever has paid into the Unemployment Security Plan.

Mr. Dunbar reported that there is a law, Section 54-657(h)(7)(H), which creates an exemption where a service is "performed in the employ of a corporation, Community Chest, Fund, or Foundation, organized and operated exclusively for religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals, no part of the net earnings of which inures to the benefit of any private shareholder or individual, and no substantial part of the activities which is carrying on, propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation." Recognizing the existence of this provision, it is felt that SRC is not guilty of any violation, and should not be ~~also~~ legally bound to pay the back taxes which the Division is attempting to ~~impose~~

~~impose~~ upon, and collect from SRC.

~~Upon~~ consultation with legal counsel, Mr. Haas, the ~~Council~~ staff was advised not to file the forms provided by the Division ~~before or by~~ on September 30, the deadline date set by the Division. Subsequently, Mr. Haas was in frequent ~~correspondence~~ touch with the Division, after which he was notified that his position (that SRC is tax exempt) had been overruled, and SRC was then set a ten-day notice for fifa. A postponement of ~~&&&~~ fifa was requested by Mr. Haas until such time a conference could be held with the Division regarding this matter. Such a conference was granted on November 8. Mr. Dunbar reported that the "conference" turned out to be an "official hearing" ~~from which the Council was to be notified within a week of any decision reached by the Unemployment Division.~~ To date no notification ~~has~~ been received by the Council. (Subsequently, we learned that the decision had been reached & was adverse.)

Discussion of this matter ensued. ~~during which time~~ It was ~~revealed~~ indicated that SRC would want to ~~with proper authorization from the Committee,~~ proceed with legal action if ~~it~~ this becomes necessary.

Mr. Branton suggested that if the state ~~for any reason,~~ issues fifa ~~they~~ it might ~~will in all probability~~ attempt to seize SRC's bank accounts, and the Committee should take some official action to ~~restrain the state~~ empower legal counsel & the staff to resist this action.

~~In regard to this matter,~~ Dr. Dent therefore made the following motion which was unanimously approved and ~~adopted&&~~ adopted:

That the minutes show that it is the consensus of the Committee that the procedures followed by the staff and legal counsel are satisfactory; that the Executive Committee is of the opinion that SRC is exempt from the Unemployment Tax, and

that there has been no violation; that the Executive Committee authorizes and instructs the staff and legal counsel to ~~continue to prosecute the case~~ take action as necessary to protect the interests of the Council.

At this point in the meeting the Agenda was amended to duscuss the Eligibility of Life Fellowships before the Committee adjourned for lunch.

ELIGIBILITY OF LIFE FELLOWSHIPS

Mr. Dunbar reminded the Committee that the matter of Mrs. David Terry's eligibility for a Life Fellowship had been left unresolved since the Committee last met. At the request of the Committee copies of Mrs. Terry's vitae ~~were~~ had been mailed to each Member. It was reported that Mr. Marion A. Wright had suggested in a letter to the Exec. Direc. of October 21 that some official action by the Committee is needed to determine qualifications for Life Fellows. Mr. Wright's suggestions are (1) that life memberships be limited ~~only~~ to former members of the Council, and (2) that there should not be more than an agreed upon number of Life Fellows elected each year.

After examination of the By-Laws and ~~&&&&&&&&&&&&&~~ references to the minutes of last year's Executive Committee and Annual Meetings, a lengthy discussion ensued after which the following motion was made and unanimously adopted: That it is the consensus of the Committee that only those persons who have at some time been members of the Southern Regional Council are clearly eligible for election to Life Fellowships; ~~and~~ that the By-Laws of the Council should be studied by the staff and recommendations ~~be amended to provide clearer qualifications for Life Fellowships, and to provide, if it may be deemed necessary,~~ and the desirability of change be submitted by the staff to the Committee at an early meeting.

under present Council legislation

ways of recognizing those persons, not having been Members, for their contributions in the area of work encouraged by the Council.

An additional motion was made by Dr. Dent and unanimously approved and adopted by the Committee: That Mrs. M. E. Tilly be recommended for a Life Fellowship, and the staff be instructed to prepare a special citation to be presented to her, upon her election, during the January Annual Meeting.

DISCUSSION OF PROPOSED PUBLIC STATEMENT

Mr. Dunbar pointed out the intent of the statement which had been sent to each Member prior to the meeting. It is felt, he reported, that ~~such~~ a statement ~~would~~ should reflect the thinking, the character, and the ~~poo~~ point of view of SRC at a time when public indecision & uncertainty is growing. ~~and when the student protest movement is gaining momentum.~~ Secondly, the ~~value~~ influence of such a statement would be enhanced if it ~~were made to~~ dealt with current questions. On the basis of these criteria, ~~Mr. Dunbar,~~ Mr. Trauer Wright, and Mr. Dunbar, with help from Mr. Dabbs ~~combined their talents to~~ had drafted the statement, for ~~approval~~ consideration & for approval by the Executive Committee ~~to be submitted to~~ the full Council in January.

During the ensuing discussion ~~the following suggested~~ several changes were ~~offered:~~ suggested & met with general approval

P. 3, First line should read: "...American history and a year also of unprecedented anxiety and disorder and tragedy."

P. 4, Last graf. - (Insert after first sentence): "America is a better land because of the brilliant thrust of President John Fitzgerald Kennedy's moral and political leading, and we join with President Johnson in a determination to reach the ends he sought."

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P. 5, Beginning with second sentence entire page 5 should read: "The other is that affirmative measures be adopted to integrate Negroes and other minorities into free participation in the nation's public life and the economy. America needs to dedicate itself to the rescue and the cultivation of its human resources.

(New graft to be inserted dealing with unemployment; two suggestions follow):

"The current rate of unemployment not only threatens to hasten another recession, but mitigates against the best efforts of the most concerned to eliminate discrimination. Moreover, the rising unemployment and scarcity of job opportunities promises more demonstrations engendered by hunger. Job rights are consonant with equal rights in all areas."
(Suggested by Paul Christopher)

"In the face of rising unemployment the need to eliminate discrimination in employment and in training for employment is urgent and calls for massive action. While we recognize the effort of some state governments, and responsibility of all, we think that federal leadership is a necessity.
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It was moved and unanimously approved and adopted that the Executive Committee approve the statement in principle, and that the ~~Executive Director~~ make changes in it in line with the suggestions offered ~~above, or which might otherwise be desirable~~.

It was further ~~moved~~ and unanimously approved and adopted that the statement be released to the press at the discretion of the staff, ~~between December 9 and~~ December 31.

With no ~~other~~ other business the meeting adjourned at 3:10 pm.

Lyndon Baynes Wheeler

before staff

in the Committee discussion,

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After some discussion, Dr. Dent made the following motion, which was unanimously approved and adopted: Resolved, that the Executive Committee instruct the staff to schedule the 1964 and subsequent Annual Meetings, and the 1964 and subsequent general meetings of the Fellowship of the Concerned, in no city in which public accommodations and facilities are segregated.

Dr. Clement suggested, and the Committee concurred, that the above resolution be enlarged, by the staff, to include more rationale in order to point out the comparison between Atlanta desegregation and desegregation accomplished in other southern cities; the resolution then to be given wide circulation.

In connection with the postponement of the Annual Meeting the following motion was made by Dr. H. Franklin Williams: Inasmuch as the Annual Meeting was duly called for November 25 and 26, and could not meet because of the national mourning for President Kennedy, the Executive Committee approves the action of the officers and staff in adjourning the 1963 Annual Meeting to January 1964. The motion was unanimously approved and adopted by the Committee.

Mr. Dunbar pointed out that because circumstances make desirable that the Executive Committee meet again in January, prior to Annual Meeting, the spring meeting should be advanced to April instead of May, as has been customary.

Dr. Dent suggested that as a matter of economy and convenience to Members, the time of future Committee meetings might be set from 12:00 noon to about 4:00 p.m., as opposed to 10:00 a.m., to 3:00 p.m. This would give Members an opportunity to travel to and from Atlanta on the day of the meetings, and thus eliminate the cost of overnight lodgings for those who heretofore had to be in the city the night before, and at the same time would allow for more convenient travel arrangements for some Members. Mr. John Wheeler suggested that this matter be left to the discretion of the staff; however, the consensus of the Committee indicated that the suggestion should be tried.

Dr. H. Franklin Williams suggested that the Executive Committee send some form of greeting to Mrs. Tilly in the hospital. This was done.

Approval of the 1964 Budget:

Mr. Dunbar submitted for approval the proposed 1964 Budget. He pointed out that the increasing or decreasing of some items was based on actual expenditures for the first 10 months of 1963.

The rent increase proposed for 1964 assumes that SRC offices will be moved to occupy the entire fifth floor of 5 Forsyth Street in order to get needed additional space. The move would include both the SRC central and VEP offices; the space to be occupied by the VEP to be so located and partitioned as to allow it to be sub-leased, if that becomes necessary or desirable. Sub-lease rights will be granted by the building management, which has offered to rent the fifth floor to SRC for $883.33 per month; an actual increase of about $143.00 considering the present combined monthly rents of central SRC and VEP of $740.00. After discussion, the following motion was made by Dr. Dent, and unanimously approved by the Committee: That the Committee approves in principle the staff move to the fifth floor, with details to be worked out and approved by a committee composed of Dr. Clement, Mr. Haas, and Mr. Dunbar.

Mr. Dunbar pointed out that the expenditures involved in making the move to the fifth floor would be taken from the SRC Reserve Fund. The Committee expressed approval.

Discussion of SRC Unemployment Tax Situation:

Mr. Dunbar, in the absence of Mr. Haas, reported on SRC's encounter with the Georgia State Unemployment Security Division. The Division has filed a claim against SRC for taxes dating back seven years, and totaling, with penalties, $19,022.09, because the Council is not now or ever has paid into the Unemployment Security Plan.

Unpon consultation with legal counsel, Mr. Haas, the staff was advised not to file the forms provided by the Division on September 30, the deadline date set by the Division. Subsequently, Mr. Haas was in frequent touch

with the Division, after which he was notified that his position (that SRC is tax exempt) had been overruled, and SRC was then sent a ten-day notice for fi fa. A postponement of fi fa was requested by Mr. Haas until such time a conference could be held with the Division regarding this matter. Such a conference was granted on November 8. Mr. Dunbar reported that the "conference" turned out to be an "official hearing." To date no notification has been received by the Council. (Subsequently, it was learned that the decision had been reached and was adverse.)

Discussion of this matter ensued. It was indicated that SRC would want to proceed with legal action if that becomes necessary. Mr. Branton suggested that if the state issues fi fa it might attempt to seize SRC's bank accounts, and the Committee should take some official action to empower legal counsel and the staff to resist this action.

Dr. Dent, therefore, made the following motion which was unanimously approved and adopted: That the minutes show that it is the consensus of the Committee that the procedures followed by the staff and legal counsel are satisfactory; that the Executive Committee is of the opinion that SRC is exempt from the Unemployment Tax, and that there has been no violation; that the Executive Committee authorizes and instructs the staff and legal counsel to take action as necessary to protect the interests of the Council.

At this point in the meeting the agenda was amended to discuss the Eligibility of Life Fellowships before the Committee adjourned for lunch.

Eligibility of Life Fellowships:

Mr. Dunbar reminded the Committee that the matter of Mrs. David Terry's eligibility for a Life Fellowship had been left unresolved since the Committee last met. At the request of the Committee copies of Mrs. Terry's vita had been mailed to each Member. It was reported that Mr. Marion A. Wright had suggested in a letter to the Executive Director of October 21 that some official action by the Committee is needed to determine qualifications for Life Fellows. Mr. Wright's suggestions are (1) that life memberships be limited to former members of the Council; and (2) that there should not be more than an agreed upon number of Life Fellows elected each year.

Minutes - 5.
Executive Committee Meeting
December 9, 1963

After examination of the By-Laws and references to the minutes of last year's Executive Committee and Annual Meetings, a lengthy discussion ensued after which the following motion was made and unanimously adopted: That it is the consensus of the Committee that under present Council legislation only those persons who have at some time been members of the Southern Regional Council are clearly eligible for election to Life Fellowships; that the By-Laws of the Council should be studied by the staff, and recommendations as to the desirability of change be submitted by the staff to the Committee at an early meeting.

An additional motion was made by Dr. Dent and unanimously approved and adopted by the Committee: That Mrs. M. E. Tilly be recommended for a Life Fellowship, and the staff be instructed to prepare a special citation to be presented to her, upon her election, during the January Annual Meeting.

Discussion of Proposed Public Statement:

Mr. Dunbar pointed out the intent of the statement which had been sent to each Member prior to the meeting. It is felt, he reported, that a statement should reflect the thinking, the character, and the point of view of SRC at a time when public indecision and uncertainty is growing. Secondly, the influence of such a statement would be enhanced if it dealt with current questions. On the basis of these criteria, Mr. Marion A. Wright and Mr. Dunbar, with help from Mr. Dabbs, had drafted the statement, for consideration by the Executive Committee and for approval by the full Council in January.

During the ensuing discussion, several changes were suggested and met with general approval.

It was moved and unanimously approved and adopted that the Executive Committee approve the statement in principle, and that the staff make changes in it in line with the suggestions offered in the Committee discussion.

It was further moved by Dr. Raymond Wheeler and unanimously approved and adopted that the statement be issued in the name of the Executive Committee, not the Annual Meeting, and released to the press at the

discretion of the staff before December 31.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:10 p.m.

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
5 FORSYTH STREET, N. W., ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA

Recognizing that a growing number of southern cities do now provide non-discriminatory hospitality for all visitors; and

Believing that these cities should be encouraged and believing that it is added indignity to the members of the Southern Regional Council, both white and Negro, to meet in cities where their movement or comfort is restricted and embarrassed; Resolved, that the Executive Committee instruct the staff to schedule the 1964 and subsequent Annual Meetings, and the 1964 and subsequent general meetings of the Fellowship of the Concerned, in no city in which the prevailing practice of hotels, restaurants, and other public accommodations is segregated.

Passed December 9, 1963 by the Executive Committee of the Southern Regional Council, meeting in Atlanta, Georgia.

Mr. N Healer

RESOLUTION ON SRC'S CHARTER AND TAX-EXEMPTION

WHEREAS, pursuant to advice dated January 29, 1960 from the Chief of the Exempt Organizations Branch of the Internal Revenue Service, this corporation was advised "You will be expected in the future to conform your operations strictly with the 'operational tests' set forth in the regulations;" and

WHEREAS, pursuant to said "operational tests" an organization is not regarded as exempt if it is an "action" organization, which means that a substantial part of its activities is attempting to influence legislation, by propaganda or otherwise, either by contacting or urging the public to contact members of a legislative body for the purpose of proposing, supporting or opposing legislation, or advocating the adoption or rejection of legislation.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is stated to be the policy of this body that no officer, agent or employee of Southern Regional Council shall, in the course of its operations, either contact or urge the public to contact members of any legislative body for the purpose of proposing, supporting or opposing legislation, nor shall any such member advocate the adoption or rejection of any legislation;

RESOLVED: That counsel for the Southern Regional Council be directed, periodically, to scrutinize and evaluate the activities of members of the Staff so as to insure that such activities are consistent with the principles stated in this resolution and in the regulations defining the "operational tests" of the Internal Revenue Service;

RESOLVED FURTHER: That this resolution be read or referred to at every meeting of the Executive Committee, and shall be read at every annual meeting of Southern Regional Council.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That no member of the staff or of the Southern Regional Council has the authority to speak for the Southern Regional Council in matters which are inhibited by the Internal Revenue Code.

February, 1961

December 9, 1963

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Excerpts from Report of the 1963 Nominating Committee

(As directed by the 1962 Annual Meeting, the slate of proposed new members is set forth below for study. The Nominating Committee will, as directed by the 1962 Annual Meeting, present its full report on January 29 and members will vote on it on January 30.)

NEW MEMBERS

Class of 1966:

(for vacancy created by death of Charles A. Shaw) Samuel Nabrit, Houston, Texas. President, Texas Southern University.

Class of 1967:

Mrs. Lawrence Coe, Memphis, Tennessee. Member, Memphis School Board. Member Tennessee Council on Human Relations.

Ralph Dreger, Jacksonville, Florida. Professor of Psychology, University of Jacksonville. President, Florida Council on Human Relations.

Paul Johnston, Birmingham, Alabama. Attorney.

S. E. Duncan, Salisbury, North Carolina. President, Livingstone College. Member, North Carolina Advisory Committee to the U. S. Commission on Civil Rights. Board, North Carolina Council on Human Relations. Former member, Southern Regional Council.

Sylvan Meyer, Gainesville, Georgia. Editor, Gainesville Times. Chairman, Georgia Advisory Committee to the U. S. Commission on Civil Rights. Member, Georgia Council on Human Relations.

C. H. Parrish, Louisville, Kentucky. Professor of Sociology, University of Louisville. Former member and staff, Southern Regional Council. Board, Kentucky Council on Human Relations.

Mrs. Mary Sands, New Orleans, Louisiana. President, Save-Our-Schools (during its service in the school desegregation crisis).

Jack Young, Jackson, Mississippi.
Attorney.

James Youngdahl, Little Rock, Arkansas.
Attorney. Chairman, Arkansas Advisory Committee to the U. S. Commission on Civil Rights. Member, Arkansas Council on Human Relations.

Since your Committee met, word has been received of the resignation of the Reverend Colbert S. Cartwright of Little Rock. He has moved to Youngstown, Ohio. We have no nomination of a replacement for Mr. Cartwright, who was a member of the Class of 1964; unless members desire to make a nomination from the floor, we recommend that this vacancy be acted on at the next Annual Meeting.

See Executive 1963

REPORT OF
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE TO THE
SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, IN ANNUAL MEETING
JANUARY 29-30, 1964

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Since the full Council was last assembled your Executive Committee has met five times to carry out the mandates of the 1962 Annual Meeting and to give policy direction to the staff.

The Annual Meeting for 1963 was scheduled for November 25-26, but was postponed due to the untimely and tragic death of President Kennedy. In our meeting of December 9, the following motion was passed by the Executive Committee.

"In connection with the postponement of the Annual Meeting the following motion was made by Dr. H. Franklin Williams: Inasmuch as the Annual Meeting was duly called for November 25 and 26, and could not meet because of the national mourning for President Kennedy, the Executive Committee approves the action of the officers and staff in adjourning the 1963 Annual Meeting to January 1964."

President Dabbs conveyed, on behalf of the Council, condolences to Mrs. Kennedy and Mr. Dunbar wrote to President Johnson and Attorney General Kennedy.

We are pleased to report that, in our opinion, this year has been one of the most productive in the Council's history. The unprecedented events of this centnnial year placed unanticipated and unusually heavy demands upon us. The Council met these new challenges forthrightly and positively. This is encouraging as we approach the end of the Council's 20th year of operation and eagerly anticipate another year of change and growth in our region.

Nine outstanding Southerners nominated by this body last year have accepted membership in the Council. They are:

CLASS OF 1965

Mrs. Moise Cahn, New Orleans

NEW MEMBERS TO CLASS OF 1966

Roosevelt D. Crockett - Little Rock, Ark.
Edward Haddock - Richmond, Va.
Mrs. Martin Harvey - Jackson, Miss.
Robert J. Harris - Charlottesville, Va.

John G. Lewis - Baton Rouge, La.
J. Rupert Picott - Richmond, Va.
William H. Townsend - Little Rock, Ark.
Nat Welch - Auburn, Ala.
Moreland G. Smith - Montgomery, Ala.

Most of these new members are with us today. We welcome them and the contributions they have to make to the deliberations of this body.

We note with sadness the death of two of our colleagues this year, Dr. H. Council Trenholm, Sr., and Mr. Charles Shaw. Also the death of Mr. Harry Jones, Executive Director of the North Carolina Council on Human Relations. Condolences expressing the sympathy of the Executive Committee on behalf of the Council were conveyed to the families of each.

During the year the Executive Committee, acting on the recommendations from the Personnel Committee, has reviewed salaries, granted merit increases, and otherwise carried out its responsibilities with regard to personnel.

Mr. Paul Anthony, formerly the Executive Assistant, was appointed Director of Field Activities following the resignation of Mr. Paul Rilling. Mr. Anthony in his years at SRC has acquired the skills and knowledge that should make him an excellent field director, as indeed he has already demonstrated.

Three additions have been made to the professional staff. Mr. Randolph T. Blackwell was named Field Director of the Voter Education Project. Mr. Blackwell, formerly taught government and economics at Winston-Salem State Teachers College and Alabama A & M College and was active in voter registration in Huntsville, Alabama.

Mr. Vernon E. Jordan, Jr., a Howard Law School graduate and for two years the Georgia Field Secretary of NAACP was appointed Assistant to the Executive Director. Mr. Pat Watters, writer, one-time city editor of the Atlanta Journal, and more recently a daily columnist on the Journal, accepted the position of Director of Information. Miss Margaret Long, formerly the Director of Information, continues in her capacity as the editor of New South.

A staff priority this year has been an evaluation of the Council's present program activities and determining what new guidelines are needed for future activities of the Council. A Board Advisory Committee has consulted and met with the staff in preparation of the program review. You have the final document with you which Mr. Dunbar will discuss with us as a part of his report.

The George S. Mitchell Memorial Award Committee has exchanged correspondence in an effort to establish the criteria for presenting such an award. The Committee met here last night and will make its final report to us today.

The Committee continued to give guidance to the Voter Education Project. The Committee thinks that the Voter Education Project is one of the most important programs in race relations in the South today, and will have real value long after the termination of the Project.

Field activities and services took on new directions and programs as the field department acted to meet the needs required by this somewhat unusual year. Special attention was given to assisting Save-the-School groups in preparation for September 1963 school desegregation.

Special emphasis was placed on state councils on human relations, most of whom had a year of increased program activity and a higher degree of local support. During the year the Mississippi Council was re-established under the able direction of Dr. A. D. Beittel. With considerable assistance from SRC members in the state, the Florida Council was reorganized and professional staff has been secured.

Research and publication have had a good year. We note particularly the widespread notice and attention given the following publications: Morland's Token Desegregation and Beyond; Coles' The Desegregation of Southern Schools: A Psychiatric Study; Henderson's The Economic Status of Negroes: In the Nation and in the South; and, Plans for Progress. The New South issue on the "March on Washington" was well received. Reprints of these publications are very likely due to the numerous requests for their use.

Following its meeting of May 21, 1963, your Executive Committee released to the press on May 26 a statement. The statement enbodied the following:

1) An affirmation that segregation and discrimination are morally wrong.

2) An expression of indignation over the arrests in Birmingham.

3) A recognition that the recent Supreme Court's decisions have provided the South a second opportunity to show that it has respect for, and will obey the highest law of the land.

4) An appeal to the South to pursue a different course of action than that followed after the 1954 decision.

The Executive Committee has exercised its responsibility in supervising the grants-in-aid program for the State Councils on Human Relations. We are pleased to report that most of the State Councils are showing increased vigor in both program and fund-raising. Later in the meeting, you will have before you, for approval, the grants-in-aid schedule for 1964, which has been reviewed and approved by the Executive Committee. For 1963, we recommend an increase of approximately 10% over the rate of the funds granted for the past several years. The recommendations for 1964 are generally consistent with 1963.

Fund-raising remains a perennial problem. During 1963 we have been operating on a general operations budget of $178,481. You will be presented to the Committee's recommendation for a general operations budget of approximately $212,481, for 1964, an increase of $34,000. The increased budget takes into account normal program expansion, additional staff, and the recommendations of the "Program Review and Evaluation," which we shall discuss later in the meeting.

The proposed budget which will be submitted to you tomorrow, if approved, will call for approximately $99,000 in funds beyond those now committed. Of that amount we are hopeful that some $50,000 - $60,000 will come from sources which have contributed in the past. Approximately $39,000 - $49,000 will have to be raised from new sources. In short, the matter of maintaining support from contributors and that of cultivating new sources continues to be a major concern and activity of the Committee and the Executive Director.

In conclusion, it is the opinion of your Executive Committee that the year has been a good and productive one. We feel that the ever-increasing activities of the Council and the frowning demands being made upon it are an encouraging indication of the organization's effectiveness and a measure of the confidence which others have in us.

There is nothing in our accomplishments which gives cause for complacency, too much remains undone, and the challenge before us is too great. However, as we approach 1964 -- the Council's 21st year of operation -- we can do so with the assurance that the Southern Regional Council is a constructive and responsible force in these changing times.

approved

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

Operating Budgets and Income Forecast - 1964
(Proposed)

SYNOPSIS

Budgeted:		
General Operations	$ 212,729	
Special Projects	384,984	
Total		$ 597,713
Income Forecast:		
General Operations	$ 112,850	
Special Operations	384,985	
Total		$ 497,835
Balance to be Raised:		
General Operations	$ 99,879	
Special Projects	------	
Total		$ 99,879

P. 1 - Proposed Budget, General Operations

P. 2 - Projected Income, General Operations

P. 3 - Proposed Budget, Special Projects

Projected Income, Special Projects

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GENERAL OPERATIONS

ITEM	PROPOSED 1964	BUDGETED 1963	Spent, 1st 10 Mos. 1963	Spent 1962
Salaries	$133,109	$103,781	$ 84,801.43	$101,328.56
Social Security	3,000	2,500	1,937.52	2,796.58
Travel	11,500	10,000	6,701.82	10,506.84
Telephone & Telegraph	5,100	5,000	4,075.19	4,977.01
Executive Committee & Annual Mtgs.	7,000	7,000	2,261.81	6,690.93
Consultant Fees & Travel	2,000	4,500	1,442.25	3,632.24
Books, Subscriptions, Research Materials	4,500	3,000	3,765.88	2,756.72
Office Supplies & Equipment	4,500	4,500	3,087.07	3,535.52
New South, Postage, Printing, & Fees	9,800	9,800	8,650.93	7,314.30
Postage, General	2,300	2,100	2,019.77	1,879.24
Printing	11,500	11,500	7,590.95	11,009.96
Rent	8,920*	7,200	6,000.00	7,200.00
Accounting	700	700	700.00	635.00
Insurance, General & Staff Benefits	6,500	5,000	5,701.66	4,584.02
Foreign Visitor Expenses	1,000	600	1,015.41	886.64
Miscellaneous	1,300	1,300	1,076.82	1,853.01
TOTALS	$212,729	$178,481	$140,828.51	$171,586.57

*This assumes that offices will be moved to occupy entire 5th floor of 5 Forsyth Street in order to get necessary space. An alternative is to enlarge, at considerable expense, and with unsatisfactory results, our present quarters, which would also increase our annual rental by $600.

Proposed Minimum Operating Budget - 1964		$212,729
Projected Income: (General Operations)		
Foundations:		
Field Foundation	$ 25,000	
New World Foundation	30,000	
Marion R. Ascoli Fund	1,000	
Taconic Foundation	25,000	
Adele Levy Fund	1,000	
Chace Fund	5,000	
		$ 87,000
Other:		
Overhead from Project Grants	$ 15,000	
Individual Contributions	1,500	
New South Subscriptions	7,500	
Other	1,000	
Sale of Literature	850	
		$ 25,850
Total, Projected Income		112,850
Balance to be Raised $99,879.00	— Rockefeller Fd (2'4) 1/3 e $50,000	
Income, General Operations 1st 10 Months, 1963	$159,535.60	
Income, General Operations 1962	$178,861.75	

SPECIAL PROJECTS, 1964

Proposed Budgets:

Southern Leadership Project		$ 15,000
Grants-in-Aid Program		55,900
Voter Education Project		300,000
Administration & Research	$ 75,000	
Reserve for Publication & Writing of Final Report	10,000	
Field Grants	215.000	
Fellowship of the Concerned		4,085
Special Fund for Educational Projects		10,000
TOTAL		$384,985

Income Expectable:

Southern Leadership Project Rockefeller Brothers Fund		$ 15,000
Grants-in-Aid Program		
Field Foundation	$ 30,900	
Taconic Foundation	25,000	55,900
Voter Education Project		
Foundations	$260,000	
Miscellaneous	40,000	300,000
Fellowship of the Concerned		4,085
Special Fund for Educational Projects		10,000
TOTAL		$384,985

Balance to BE RAISED --------

NEWS RELEASE

FOR RELEASE TO ALL PAPERS

Date December 30, 1963

Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia
Telephone: JAckson 2-8764

The Executive Committee of the Southern Regional Council made today the following statement:

"I. Three Centuries of Moral Crisis

"The South's history for centuries has been intertwined with the travail of racial unrest and injustice. This injustice has been condoned and shared by the other sections of the United States and, indeed, has been part of the common practice of the European-American world. There is nowhere we can turn that the infection of racial prejudice and discrimination has not spread.

"These are days of turmoil, but also of hope. Negro Southerners, and Negro Americans generally, in their long struggle against injustice have steadfastly rejected the self-defeating temptations of those who proclaim that Negroes should segregate themselves from whites behind their own wall of hatred; of those who have advocated organized violent reprisal against white men; and of those who by insidious teaching and tactics have urged Negro Americans to join the ranks of the world-wide Communist conspiracy against constitutional democracy. They have, on the contrary, held to their faith in American institutions and to the inextinguishable instinct of men to deal fairly and honorably with each other.

"White Southerners have a much inferior record of loyalty to the principles of America and of the Judeo-Christian religion. They have been subverted in great numbers by bodies such as the Ku Klux Klan and the white Citizens Councils, which are a corruption of all that American ideals proclaim. Even worse, they have in yet larger numbers surrendered to those social and economic desires and conveniences which blunt the moral sensitivity of men and women toward their neighbors.

"Today, however, white Southerners are manifesting a new and a quickened understanding of the political and economic dependence of the South's peoples on one another, and, above all, of their moral interdependence. Generations of white and Negro people have equally and together built this region, imparted to it what virtues and strengths it has, and made the South's positive contributions to the nation and to all mankind.

"Out of affection for the South, and out of a belief in the sanctity of every individual as a child beloved of God, we suggest the following thoughts to the public in this year 1963, the centennial of several great events of American history and a year also of unprecedented anxiety and disorder and tragedy.

"II. The Two Leading Issues

"The Southern Regional Council has always been committed to the achievement of the goal of justice for all, and the consequent elimination of discrimination and inequities through

education, understanding, and cooperation at the local level and within each community and state. We believe that this is still the primary and most effective way. Surely, however, all must recognize that where there is a breakdown in this primary approach, resort will inevitably be had to legislation and demonstrations.

"In the past, and most especially during the last 80 years or so, the South has deliberately created laws and public policies to keep its two races apart and to discriminate against its Negro citizens. At the same time, southern political leaders contended that law can never be used to bring the two races together or to suppress discrimination. They had thus effectively removed from Negro Southerners every power and privilege of protest, except the privilege of leaving family and neighbors by moving to the North or West.

"That we have progressed far in the years since World War II is evidenced by the fact that the present two issues of greatest urgency to our domestic strength and tranquility are the uses of law and public policy to undo the wrongs of the past, and the right and propriety of protest demonstrations to speed this process.

"III. Law is the Servant of Justice

"As to the first issue, and while recommending that voluntary solutions to cure racial inequities should always be sought diligently by both white and Negro leaders, we think there is a clear necessity for legislative and executive actions by the local, state, and federal governments. We are not, in the South or in the country as a whole, starting from scratch; we have an enormous housecleaning and rebuilding job, and governmental power should be employed for this public service.

"Under our system of federalism, most of the issues of civil rights and race relations could be settled by action

of local and state governments. Only their failure to do so has caused the federal government to intervene and continues to make strong federal action necessary, because the condition of our Constitutional rights and of our race relations is a national burden and disgrace. In this connection, we take great encouragement from those federal court decisions and those state enactments which are ending to some extent the vicious and undemocratic apportionment of seats in our legislatures and in Congress; there is good reason to hope that, as urban centers of the South are accorded their fair representation, and government thereby becomes responsive to majority opinion and needs, a new and more responsible politics will grow up in the South.

"The increase of federal concern and activity in recent years has done much good. America is a better land because of the brilliant thrust of President John Fitzgerald Kennedy's moral and political leading and because of President Johnson's resolve to 'move forward to eliminate from this nation every trace of discrimination and oppression.'

"We need to recognize fully and clearly the two just demands of what is called the 'Negro revolt.' One is that there be an end now to all forms of institutionalized segregation and discrimination; on this there can be no viable compromise. The other is that affirmative measures be adopted to integrate Negroes and other minorities into free participation in the nation's public life and economy.

"The federal government does not serve the public well when the help it offers, through either legislative or executive actions, is minimal; when it treats symptoms and not the problems; when it merely palliates disorders, leaving them to fester and to nag at the nerves of the people; or when it allows its money to be spent in ways that perpetuate or strengthen discrimination against the welfare or dignity of any class of citizens.

"Again we indicate our belief that vital problems of race relations could be well settled by state and local communities. We commend those southern cities which in recent months have established effective bi-racial commissions and committees. We believe that the essence of good human relations lies in the search, within each community, for laws and practices mutally satisfying to all its residents. We believe that the South, and each community of it, and the nation to which they all belong, must take an interest in the welfare and the development of each individual, and that only as it does so will it itself prosper.

"None of the issues of civil rights is likely to be solved fully while there exists, throughout the population, the present wide differentials of educational opportunities, nor while unemployment is as large and menacing as it is and has been. We are gratified by the industrious, even imaginative, endeavors now underway or being discussed in several southern states to lift educational levels. But federal leadership in these intricately related fields of

education and employment is a continuing necessity. The current rate of unemployment is not only an economic drag but frustrates even sincere governmental and private efforts to overcome racial discrimination. Job scarcity has become an omnipresent motive for demonstrations, and may predictably engender more and bitter protest.

"We believe that the South, difficult as are its present problems and unhappy as its history has been, can, nevertheless, make a new social life that is richly humane, because it will have grown out of the honestly faced and concrete necessities of a common life. As today's immediate challenge is civil rights, so tomorrow's will be full integration. We are optimistic that a new South, born of struggle, will, with courage and intelligence, re-shape its economic and educational practices as needed to integrate all its people into a society that serves the free and full development of each individual.

"The means to this end is a thoroughly democratic, thoroughly responsible politics.

"IV. An Historic Opportunity

"There is no virtue per se in street demonstrations, but only the self-blinded fail to see the grandeur of the protest movement which since early 1960 has surged through the South.

"Through this movement Negroes seek no rights or privileges for themselves alone. They seek only those belonging to all American citizens. A wise society would

encourage and applaud this discontent with inferior status, especially as its end result is to make more secure the rights of all.

"Demonstrations are a direct reaction to the failure or the laggardness of white leadership. The public leaders of the South have it in their power at any time to stop demonstrations by satisfying the demands of the federal Constitution, of justice and of religion.

"We are little impressed by public opinion polls which reveal Negro bitterness or white prejudice. No informed and intelligent observer has ever doubted the existence of either. Bitterness and prejudice are now, as they have always been, the conditions against which the responsible institutions of American society -- governments, churches, press, educational and professional institutions, business corporations -- must contend and which they must rectify.

"We commend those Negro and white citizens who, through lawful assembly, peaceful picketing, and other forms of orderly demonstrations have used the methods of democracy to advance human rights.

"We commend their leaders, who have constantly taught that demonstrations must be non-violent, in spirit as well as in form.

"We ask the nation's understanding of and compassion for those white Southerners who, because of the teaching

and example of their civic leaders, perpetuate violence and spread malice. We would remind our fellow Southerners that, as the record clearly shows, the bombers, the killers, the haters never act except in areas where they are tolerated by official and community attitudes.

"We come back, therefore, to the need for strengthening the leadership of the South. Because we believe profoundly in democracy, we think that democratization of southern public life is the pathway to strength. We believe that the greatest contribution which Negro Southerners can make today to the national welfare and to their own is to register and to vote responsibly, and, together with white citizens, to establish truly representative government in the South.

"The qualities which are exhibited in the protest demonstrations are qualities that deserve other outlets. Patience, forbearance, faith in human decency, reliance upon intellectual and moral power -- these are qualities needed in politics, in the schools and universities, in the churches, in business, in all of our society. May this nation have the wisdom to draw strength from them."

Note: The Southern Regional Council is an organization to attain the ideals and practices of equal opportunity for all peoples in the South.

Members of the Executive Committee are:

James McBride Dabbs, Mayesville, S. C.
President of the Southern Regional Council

Statement - 9.
December 1963

John H. Wheeler, Durham, N. C.
Chairman of the Executive Committee

Paul R. Christopher, Knoxville, Tenn.

Rufus E. Clement, Atlanta, Ga.

Albert W. Dent, New Orleans, La.

John A. Griffin, Tallahassee, Fla.

Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton, Atlanta, Ga.

Joseph F. Haas, Atlanta, Ga.

John P. Nelson, Jr., New Orleans, La.

Raymond Wheeler, Charlotte, N. C.

Miss Josephine Wilkins, Athens, Ga.

H. Franklin Williams, Coral Gables, Fla.

Marion A. Wright, Linville Falls, N. C.

Stephen J. Wright, Nashville, Tenn.

Thomas W. Young, Norfolk, Va.

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	①	②	③	④ January 1961	⑤ January 1962	⑥ February 1961	⑦ February 1962
1	Salaries			6317 54	8300 65	~~12741 47~~ 6431 93	8613 61
2	~~Social Security Expense~~				~~125 76~~		
3	Travel			751 66	924 66	701 16	871 60
4	Telephone and Telegraph			434 68	380 54	397 49	417 08
5	Office Supplies			153 17	226 15	620 18	727 08
6	Office Equipment			471 23	—	—	811 23
7	Postage			181 77	148 96	113 42	—
8	Printing			—	191 27	—	—
9	NEW SOUTH Postage			100 —	200 —	120 —	207 40
10	NEW SOUTH PRINTING			578 —	1422 40	481 20	514 57
11	Executive Committee			72 —	—	539 78	510 70
12	B ooks & Subscriptions			21 24	101 85	—	122 21
13	Miscellaneous Expenses			87 73	111 95	—	168 39
14	Rent			600 —	600 —	600 —	600 —
15	Georgia State Sales Tax			—	—	52	76
16	General Insurances			—	45 06	149 02	—
17	Consultant Fees			—	370 —	60 —	—
18	Retirement Insurance			129 63	268 90	122 53	—
19	Hospitalization Insurance			91 14	227 52	—	—
20	Group Term Life Insurance			119 89	216 42	—	—
21	Accounting					490 —	325 —
22	Authors' Fees - NEW SOUTH			—	165 —	—	90 —
23	Foreign Visitors Expense						
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3	credit 17788	90157	93455	47021	82166	88108	
4	36139	55109	37877	50680	39974	39972	
5	34579	28355	21183	52234 ?	10787	53593	paper for Cyn 32357
6		50140	—	28172 ?	—	31307	Copy in Mail Corporation Franchise
7	13907	35207	14754	32514 ?	19440	17991	
8	228017	70760	11697	68186	16493	390302	Merrill Lynch Fed Serv 34876 8
9	17430	17331	14268	16595	14500	15000	
10	38325	53903	98464	48620	71276	79364	
11	52759	8814	41979	5040	10849	24314	
12	8190	43597	9741	744	—	10315	
13	9033	16899	11527	24467 ?	13939	84158	Bi-weekly Home Fall-in Energy Interagency
14	600 —	600 —	600 —	600 —	600 —	600 —	
15	132	341	09	707	119	1087	
16	—	—	—	—	2115	2115	
17	120 —		—	—	—	—	
18	12963	22288	25373	20888	25373	20888	
19	—	—	20446	26278	—	—	
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U. S. TREASURY DEPARTMENT
INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

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MAR 22 1962

Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Room 432, 63 Auburn Avenue
North East
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Gentlemen:

This is in reference to a letter dated December 14, 1961, from Mr. Adrian W. DeWind, Attorney, New York City, in which he requests in your behalf a ruling that your present exemption from Federal income tax as an organization described in section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code will not be adversely affected by the voter registration program you propose to undertake.

The information available for our use in considering your request includes that furnished at a conference held in the National Office of the Internal Revenue Service on January 31, 1962, between our representatives and Mr. Harold C. Fleming and Mr. Adrian W. DeWind, as well as that presented by Mr. DeWind in his letter of February 9, 1962.

The purpose of the program called Project is to develop educational programs which will be most effective in providing voters with the knowledge and will to register. Inasmuch as there are various agencies and groups actively engaged in and staffed for work in voter registration areas, you do not propose to have Project do the field work itself. Rather, you believe that such work can be done most economically and effectively by organizations experienced therein. Accordingly, Project will grant funds and provide consultants for approved voter registration programs conducted by these organizations. In this connection, it appears that Project intends to support a variety of programs: Some involving voter education on an individual basis; some on a group or meeting basis; some working primarily through church organizations; others through community or civic groups. So long as a program is practicable and appears effectively designed to secure voter registration, does not unduly duplicate any other approved program, meets the conditions of Project and will be useful as a source of research, knowledge and experience, it may be considered for approval.

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Programs of the cooperating organizations must be submitted to and approved by Project before any grant is made. Basically, approval will be limited to organizations which in your opinion have a background, experience, knowledge and personnel fitted to carry out the work of Project. No program will be approved which does not provide that the program, its employees and agents will refrain from any partisan political propaganda or activity aimed at influencing legislation or supporting any political party or the campaign of any candidates for election to public office. Further, cooperating organizations will be required to submit a proposed detailed budget of their programs, to establish and maintain separate accounting records for Project funds, and to conduct the Project program separately and apart from any of their other activities which are not exclusively charitable or educational. The Project staff will visit and work with the cooperating organizations in the field and the staff will also have the right at any time to examine the pertinent accounting records of each cooperating organization. You intend by such supervision to assure that any misuse of Project funds would come almost immediately to the attention of the Project Director. Furthermore, since payments on the grant to each cooperating organization will be made quarterly, the possibility of cancelling the unpaid balance of the grant will serve as a sanction against the diversion of funds by these organizations from their Project-approved programs.

In addition to the above activities, it is indicated that Project will be used to obtain reports of the programs from the cooperating organizations. The reports will disclose in detail information with respect to the activities, areas of operation, public response, problems encountered, solutions developed and results of the programs. The programs will be analyzed and additional independent research in the matter will be conducted by the Project staff and your research department. After Project has been completed, you intend to publish a report, analysis and evaluation of the programs.

We have concluded that, if you operate Project strictly in accordance with the representations made by Mr. DeWind in his letters of December 14, 1961 and February 9, 1962, the

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activity will not adversely affect your present exemption from Federal income tax as an organization described in section 501(c)(3) of the Code. In this connection, it is requested that you submit with your annual information return, Form 990-A, a statement in duplicate disclosing full details with respect to your operation of Project during the year covered by the return. The statement should include among other things a complete description of the activities of Project during the year, how the programs of the cooperating organizations are being conducted, the name of each cooperating organization and the amount of the grant made by you to each organization. There is enclosed a copy of this ruling which should be attached to the information return when it is filed.

The District Director of Internal Revenue, Atlanta, Georgia, is being notified of this action.

Very truly yours,

John W S Littleton

Director, Tax Rulings Division

Enclosure:
Copy of this ruling.

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SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
AID TO INDEPENDENT STATE COUNCILS ON HUMAN RELATIONS
January 1, 1962 to December 31, 1962

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1962	$ 38,984.83
Field Foundation, 1963	25,000.00
Taconic Foundation, 1962	25,000.00
Total Receipts	$ 88,984.83

DISBURSEMENTS

Alabama Council on Human Relations 1224 Corner Bldg., Birmingham 3, Ala.		$ 6,600.00	
Arkansas Council on Human Relations 1220 West Capitol, Little Rock, Ark		5,400.00	
Florida Council on Human Relations 2867 Justina Road, Jacksonville 11, Fla.		3,372.97	
Georgia Council on Human Relations 41 Sel Chanque Place, S.E., Atlanta 3, Ga		6,300.00	
Houston (Texas) Council on Human Relations 3605 Fannin Street, Houston, Texas		2,300.00	
North Carolina Council on Human Relations 121 East Third Street, Charlotte, N.C.		4,900.00	
South Carolina Council on Human Relations 1330 Laurel Street, Columbia		6,300.00	
Tennessee Council on Human Relations 2011 Grand Ave, Nashville, Tenn.		6,100.00	
Virginia Council on Human Relations 17 East Cary Street, Richmond 19 Virginia		7,500.00	
Discretionary Fund	$ 1,218.19		
~~Advance toward 1963 Grants-in-Aid~~	~~500.00~~	1,718.19	
Total Disbursements			$ 50,491.16
Balance, December 31, 1962			$ 38,493.67

Supplemental Grant.
Ala. Council on Human Relations 2,000.00

Research in Southern History project
Chapel Hill, N.C. Independent Work on Subj. 2,800.00 1,493.67

Research in S.C.
Florida State Univ.
Tallahassee, Fla. 600.00

Research in S.C.
Tuscaloosa 5,000.00

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FORM **990-A**

U.S. Treasury Department
Internal Revenue Service

PART I

RETURN OF ORGANIZATION EXEMPT FROM INCOME TAX

Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code

For Calendar Year 1962—or other taxable year beginning , 1962, and ending , 19

1962

Part I (pages 1 and 2) information required pursuant to Sections 6033, 6001 and other applicable sections of the Internal Revenue Code.
Note—Part II must be submitted in duplicate as part of your return.

Legal name of organization / Address (number, street, city or town, postal zone, and State)

101-6 IRC

Please type or print clearly

Southern Regional Council, Inc
5 Forsyth St. N.W., Room 201
Atlanta 3, Ga.
Lt 7-28-47

This return must be filed on or before the **15th day of the fifth month** following the close of the annual accounting period. Return must be filed with the District Director of Internal Revenue for the district in which is located the principal place of business or principal office of the organization.

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Employer Identification No. 58-0566241 N

Line No.			
1.	Gross sales or receipts from business activities	$ 5920.74	
2.	Less: Cost of goods sold or of operations (**Attach schedule**)	7314.30	
3.	Gross profit from business activities Excess of Cost of Printing + mailing over income		$ (1393.56)
4.	Interest		2024.00
5.	Dividends		2669.90
6.	Rents		
7.	Royalties		
8.	Gain (or loss) from sale of assets, excluding inventory items (See Instruction 8)		
9.	Other income (**Attach schedule.—Do not include contributions, gifts, grants, etc. (See line 17.)**)		
10.	Total gross income (lines 1 to 9, inclusive)		$ 3300.34
11.	Expenses of earning gross income from column 3, Schedule A		10541.69
	DISBURSEMENTS MADE WITHIN THE YEAR OUT OF CURRENT OR ACCUMULATED INCOME FOR PURPOSES FOR WHICH EXEMPT, AND ACCUMULATION OF INCOME		
12.	Expenses of distributing current or accumulated income from column 4, Schedule A		$ 242813.34
13.	Contributions, gifts, grants, scholarships, etc. (See Instruction 13)		$ 189328.76
14.	Accumulation of income within the year (line 10 less the sum of lines 11, 12, and 13) Deficit		$ (439383.45)
15.	Aggregate accumulation of income at beginning of the year ($)		
16.	Aggregate accumulation of income at end of the year ($)		
	RECEIPTS NOT REPORTED ELSEWHERE		
17.	Contributions, gifts, grants, etc., received (See Instruction 17)		$ 472598.31
18.	Less: Expenses of raising and collecting amount on line 17, from column 5, Schedule A		none
19.	Net contributions, gifts, grants, etc.		$ 472598.31
	DISBURSEMENTS MADE OUT OF PRINCIPAL FOR PURPOSES FOR WHICH EXEMPT		
20.	Expenses of distributing principal from column 6, Schedule A		$ none
21.	Contributions, gifts, grants, scholarships, etc.: (a) Paid out in prior years ($)		
	(b) Paid out within the year (See Instruction 21)		$

Schedule A—Allocation of Expenses (See Instructions)

1. Item	2. Total	3. Expenses of earning gross income	4. Expenses of distributing income	5. Expenses of raising and collecting principal	6. Expenses of distributing principal
(a) Compensation of officers, etc.	none				
(b) Other salaries and wages	131836.48	10303.24	121533.24		
(c) Interest					
(d) Taxes	3263.05	238.45	3024.60		
(e) Rent	8810.00		8810.00		
(f) Depreciation (and depletion)					
(g) Miscellaneous expenses (**Attach sch.**)	109445.50		109445.50		
(h) Totals	253355.03	10541.69	242813.34	none	none
		Enter on line 11	Enter on line 12	Enter on line 18	Enter on line 20

I declare under the penalties of perjury that I have examined this return (including accompanying schedules and statements) and to the best of my knowledge and belief it is true, correct, and complete. If prepared by a person other than taxpayer, his declaration is based on all information of which he has any knowledge.

CORPORATE SEAL

(Date) (Signature of officer) (Title)

(Date) (Individual or firm signature of preparer) (Address)

Schedule B.—BALANCE SHEETS (See Instructions)

Balance Sheet attached - Exhibit A of audit

	Beginning of Year		End of Year	
	Amount	Total	Amount	Total
ASSETS				
1. Cash				
2. Accounts receivable				
Less: Reserve for bad debts				
3. Notes receivable				
Less: Reserve for bad debts				
4. Inventories				
5. Investments in governmental obligations				
6. Investments in nongovernmental bonds, etc.				
7. Investments in corporate stocks (See Instructions)				
8. Mortgage loans				
9. Other investments (Attach schedule)				
10. Depreciable (and depletable) assets (Attach schedule)				
Less: Reserve for depreciation (and depletion)				
11. Land				
12. Other assets (Attach schedule)				
13. Total assets				
LIABILITIES AND NET WORTH				
14. Accounts payable				
15. Contributions, gifts, grants, etc., payable				
16. Bonds, notes, and mortgages payable				
17. Other liabilities (Attach schedule)				
18. Capital stock: (a) Preferred stock				
(b) Common stock				
19. Membership certificates				
20. Principal or other capital				
21. Reserves (Attach schedule)				
22. Accumulated income or earned surplus:				
(a) Attributable to ordinary income				
(b) Attributable to gains from sale of assets				
23. Total liabilities and net worth				

1. Date of current exemption letter _____

2. Attach a detailed statement of the nature of your business, charitable, and all other activities.

3. Was a Form 990-A filed for the preceding year? ☐ Yes ☐ No
If "Yes," where filed? _____

4. Have you filed a tax return on Form 990-T for this year? ☐ Yes ☐ No
If "Yes," where filed? _____

5. What is the legal form of your organization (corporation, trust, unincorporated association, etc.)? _____

6. In what year was your organization formed? _____
In what State or country? _____

7. If successor to previously existing organization(s), give name(s) and address(es) of the predecessor organization(s) _____

8. If you have capital stock issued and outstanding, state with respect to each class of stock—
(a) The number of shares outstanding _____
(b) The number of shares held by individuals _____
(c) The number of shares held by organizations _____
(d) The number of shareholders at end of year _____
(e) Whether any dividends may be paid ☐ Yes ☐ No

9. If you acquired capital assets out of income, attach itemized list and amount thereof.

10. Have any changes not previously reported to the Internal Revenue Service been made in your articles of incorporation or bylaws or other instruments of similar import? ☐ Yes ☐ No
If "Yes," attach a copy of the amendments.

11. Have you had any sources of income or engaged in any activities not previously reported to the Internal Revenue Service? ☐ Yes ☐ No
If "Yes," attach detailed statement.

12. Did you hold any real property for rental purposes with respect to which there is an indebtedness incurred in acquiring the property or in making improvements thereto or which was acquired subject to a mortgage or similar lien? ☐ Yes ☐ No
If "Yes," attach detailed statement.

13. Have you during the year either advocated or opposed (including the publishing or distributing of statements) any legislation, national, State, or local? ☐ Yes ☐ No
If "Yes," attach a detailed description of such activities and copies of any such statements.

14. Have you during the year participated in, or intervened in (including the publishing or distributing of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office? ☐ Yes ☐ No
If "Yes," attach a detailed description of such activities and copies of any such statements.

15. After July 1, 1950, did—
The creator of your organization, or
A contributor to your organization, or
A brother or sister (whole or half blood), spouse, ancestor, or lineal descendant of such creator or contributor, or
A corporation owned (50 percent or more of voting stock or 50 percent or more of value of all stock) directly or indirectly by such creator or contributor
(a) Borrow any part of your income or corpus? ☐ Yes ☐ No
(b) Receive any compensation for personal services from you? ☐ Yes ☐ No
(c) Have any part of your services or assets made available to him? ☐ Yes ☐ No
(d) Purchase any securities or other property from you? ☐ Yes ☐ No
(e) Sell any securities or other property to you? ☐ Yes ☐ No
(f) Receive any of your income or corpus in other transactions? ☐ Yes ☐ No
If answer to any question is "Yes," attach detailed statement unless previously reported.

16. Do you hold 10 percent or more of any class of stock in any corporation? ☐ Yes ☐ No
If "Yes," you must submit the information required by the instructions for Schedule B.

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Schedule B.—BALANCE SHEETS (See Instructions)

	Beginning of Year		End of Year	
	Amount	Total	Amount	Total
ASSETS				
1. Cash				
2. Accounts receivable				
Less: Reserve for bad debts				
3. Notes receivable				
Less: Reserve for bad debts				
4. Inventories				
5. Investments in governmental obligations				
6. Investments in nongovernmental bonds, etc				
7. Investments in corporate stocks (See Instructions)				
8. Mortgage loans				
9. Other investments (**Attach schedule**)				
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11. Land				
12. Other assets (**Attach schedule**)				
13. Total assets				
LIABILITIES AND NET WORTH				
14. Accounts payable				
15. Contributions, gifts, grants, etc., payable				
16. Bonds, notes, and mortgages payable				
17. Other liabilities (**Attach schedule**)				
18. Capital stock: (a) Preferred stock				
(b) Common stock				
19. Membership certificates				
20. Principal or other capital				
21. Reserves (**Attach schedule**)				
22. Accumulated income or earned surplus:				
(a) Attributable to ordinary income				
(b) Attributable to gains from sale of assets				
23. Total liabilities and net worth				

1. Date of current exemption letter July 28, 1947
2. Attach a detailed statement of the nature of your business, charitable, and all other activities. attached
3. Was a Form 990-A filed for the preceding year? ☒ Yes ☐ No
   If "Yes," where filed? Atlanta, Ga
4. Have you filed a tax return on Form 990-T for this year? ☐ Yes ☒ No
   If "Yes," where filed?
5. What is the legal form of your organization (corporation, trust, unincorporated association, etc.)? Corporation
6. In what year was your organization formed? Jan 6, 1944
   In what State or country? Georgia
7. If successor to previously existing organization(s), give name(s) and address(es) of the predecessor organization(s) Commission on Interracial Cooperation, Atlanta, Ga
8. If you have capital stock issued and outstanding, state with respect to each class of stock—
   (a) The number of shares outstanding
   (b) The number of shares held by individuals
   (c) The number of shares held by organizations
   (d) The number of shareholders at end of year
   (e) Whether any dividends may be paid ☐ Yes ☒ No
9. If you acquired capital assets out of income, attach itemized list and amount thereof.
10. Have any changes **not previously reported** to the Internal Revenue Service been made in your articles of incorporation or bylaws or other instruments of similar import? ☐ Yes ☒ No
    If "Yes," attach a copy of the amendments.
11. Have you had any sources of income or engaged in any activities **not previously reported** to the Internal Revenue Service? ☐ Yes ☒ No
    If "Yes," attach detailed statement.
12. Did you hold any real property for rental purposes with respect to which there is an indebtedness incurred in acquiring the property or in making improvements thereto or which was acquired subject to a mortgage or similar lien? ☐ Yes ☒ No
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14. Have you during the year participated in, or intervened in (including the publishing or distributing of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office? ☐ Yes ☒ No
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15. After July 1, 1950, did—
    The creator of your organization, or
    A contributor to your organization, or
    A brother or sister (whole or half blood), spouse, ancestor, or lineal descendant of such creator or contributor, or
    A corporation owned (50 percent or more of voting stock or 50 percent or more of value of all stock) directly or indirectly by such creator or contributor
    (a) Borrow any part of your income or corpus? ☐ Yes ☒ No
    (b) Receive any compensation for personal services from you? ☐ Yes ☒ No
    (c) Have any part of your services or assets made available to him? ☐ Yes ☒ No
    (d) Purchase any securities or other property from you? ☐ Yes ☒ No
    (e) Sell any securities or other property to you? ☐ Yes ☒ No
    (f) Receive any of your income or corpus in other transactions? ☐ Yes ☒ No
    If answer to any question is "Yes," attach detailed statement unless previously reported.
16. Do you hold 10 percent or more of any class of stock in any corporation? ☐ Yes ☒ No
    If "Yes," you must submit the information required by the instructions for Schedule B.

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Line No 13 - Contributions, Gifts, Grants, etc. - Rider to Form 990-A 31,
For the Calendar year 1962

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January 21, 1963

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Ruth House Alexander

FROM: Jean Levine

The following is a listing of all grants made by VEP during the fiscal year ending December 31, 1962, as reflected in our records:

Alabama State Coordinating Association (also named Voter Educ. Proj. of Jefferson County)	6/25/62	$ 1,500.00	
	9/14/62	3,000.00	
	11/21/62	3,000.00	$ 7,500.00
1630 Fourth Ave. North Birmingham, Ala			
Albany Movement, The	9/6/62	$ 2,000.00	
609 Cherry Street Albany, Georgia	8/17/62	2,000.00	4,000.00
All Citizens Registration Committee	4/12/62	$ 2,000.00	
148 Auburn avenue, N.E., Atlanta, Ga.	5/15/62	1,600.00	3,600.00
American Friends Service Committee	6/4/62		2,000.00
P.O. Box 1307, Highpoint, N.C.			
Congress of Racial Equality	5/4/62	$ 8,625.00	
38 Park Row, New York City	8/15/62	6,400.00	
	12/14/62	6,400.00	21,425.00
Council of Federated Organizations	9/5/62	$ 4,000.00	
213 Fourth St., Clarksdale, Miss.	10/2/62	2,000.00	
	10/18/62	2,000.00	
	10/29/62	2,000.00	
	11/29/62	1,000.00	
	12/12/62	1,000.00	12,000.00
Davidson County Independent Political Council	5/24/62		3,000.00
Fisk University, Nashville, Tenn.			
Durham Committee on Negro Affairs	4/27/62		2,500.00
P.O. Box 331, Durham, N.C.			
Federated Organizations for the Cause of Unlimited Self-Development	6/4/62		1,000.00
1763 Rosenwald Road, Baton Rouge, La.			
Greater Little Rock Voter Registration Campaign	9/5/62		1,511.60 ~~2,000.00~~
Jefferson 1720 West Capitol, Little Rock			
Madison County Coordinating Committee	10/12/62	$ 400.00	
~~234~~ 228 Church St., Huntsville, Ala.	11/19/62	400.00	
	12/14/62	400.00	1,200.00

NAACP, 20 west 40th St., New York	5/4/62	$17,250.00	
	10/8/62	11,000.00	$28,250.00
National Student Association 41 Exchange Place, S.E., Atlanta, Ga.	5/30/62		1,140.00
National Urban League 14 East 48th Street, New York City	5/4/62	$ 5,750.00	
	10/31/62	1,000.00	
	9/13/62	4,382.00	11,132.00
Northern Virginia All Citizens Committee 307 West Fairfax St., Falls Church, Va.	10/12/62		200.00
Southern Christian Leadership Conference 41 Exchange Place, S.E., Atlanta, Ga.	5/4/62	$11,500.00	
	9/10/62	7,850.00	19,350.00
Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee 6 Raymond St., N.W. Atlanta, Ga.	5/4/62	$5,750.00	
	7/2/62	125.00	
	8/16/62	500.00	
	9/10/62	2,000.00	
	11/20/62	554.00	
	12/6/62	700.00	
	12/10/62	2,000.00	11,629.00
Southeastern Georgia Crusade for Voters 416 West Park Ave, Savannah, Ga.	11/29/62		1,000.00
Womanpower Unlimited 415 N. Farish St., Jackson, Miss.	8/16/62		1,000.00
TOTAL GRANTS MADE TO 12/31/62			$133,~~926.00~~ 437.60

Trial Balances - ARC
1963

		January		February		March		April		May	
1	Citizens Trust Company - Checking	3192838									
2	Citizens Trust Company - Savings	42024—									
3	Citizens Trust Company - Securities	40000—									
4	Trust Company of Georgia - Reserve Fund	6590190									
5	Inventory - Books & Pamphlets	1500—									
6	Office Equipment	1079012									
7	Accounts Receivable	192430									
8											
9	~~Special Grants-in-Aid to Independent~~ State Councils on Human Relations		3134367								
10	Consultant Service Program		52634								
11	Fellowship of the Concerned		250—								
12	Research in Student Adjustment		179287								
13	Special Fund for Educational Projects		468742								
14	Southern Leadership Project		3176977								
15	Trust for Burned Churches		531735								
16	New Orleans Project		81359								
17	Registration and Voting Survey		155291								
18	Reserve Fund - Trust Co. of Ga.		6590190								
19	Advance Appropriations - Gen. Oper.		2847272								
20	Accounts Payable		330206								
21	Surplus		2653164								
22	CONTRIBUTIONS:										
23	Foundations		1000—								
24	Labor & Other Organizations										
25	Individuals		193230								
26	NEW SOUTH Subscriptions		650—								
27	Sale of Miscellaneous Literature		5432								
28	Interest Income										
29	Overhead from Project Grants										
30	Salaries	770037									
31	F.I.C.A. (Social Security)		36578								
32	Federal Withholding Tax		121747								
33	Georgia Withholding Tax		8364								
34	Consultant Fees	350—									
35	Travel	81255									
36	Telephone & Telegraph	37393									
37	Office Supplies	17910									
38	Postage	18735									
39	Printing	77559									
40	NEW SOUTH Postage	200—									
41	NEW SOUTH Printing	4959									
42	NEW SOUTH Authors' Fees	25—									
43	Executive Committee & Annual Meeting	5152									
44	Books & Subscriptions	30662									
45	Miscellaneous Expense	15064									
46	RENT	600—									
47											

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		January	February	March	April	May
1	Georgia Sales Tax					
2	Major Medical Insurance		1886			
3	Retirement Insurance	23798				
4	Hospitalization Insurance	7014				
5	Group Term Life Insurance	1516				
6	General Insurance	3750				
7	Accounting					
8	Foreign Visitors' Expense	7172				

Trial Balance
Voter Education Project
1963

	January		February		March		April		May	
First National Bank of Atlanta	7527398		4326431		2693608		1903782		1641894	
VEP advance appropriation		2056066		1801385		1801385		1801385		1801385
CONTRIBUTIONS:										
Foundations		65000 —		65000 —		65000 —		252000 —		252000 —
Organizations		20780		20780		23180		23180		23180
Individuals								21 —		21 —
Accounts Payable										
Salaries	245625		568659		892293		1217447		1543281	
Social Security		8905		20627		32349	21288		36128	
Withholding Tax		29360		68320		107280		38960		38960
Georgia Withholding Tax		2884		6468		10052		3584		7168
Consultant Fees					180 —		180 —		180 —	
Travel	19285		108123		160245		221989		256862	
Telephone & Telegraph	11583		29154		54309		87425		120017	
Office Supplies	2720		8774		21960		26759		67419	
Office Equipment	347738		~~80855~~		~~131625~~		~~131635~~		~~164455~~	
Postage	3380		5632		26868		29062		31517	
Miscellaneous Expense	1675		2815		2906		7058		12425	
Rent	140 —		280 —		420 —		560 —		700 —	
Printing	9826		9826		9826		16726		16726	
Grants for Voter Registration	546446		3315446		4490446		6222446		8323446	
Revolving Bail Fund						500 —		500 —		500 —
Books & Subscriptions					21160		21310		23310	
Harrassment - Misc.					25165		25165		25165	
Retirement Insurance										
Hospitalization Ins.				12 —		12 —		12 —		12 —
General Insurance			3750		3750		6386		6386	
Overhead										
Moving Expense										
Payroll 2nd qr. 1962										
Georgia Sales Tax									679	
Accounting									150 —	
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Trial Balance
Voter Education Project
1963

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	June, 1963	
First National Bank of Atlanta	14689954	
VEP		2056066
CONTRIBUTIONS:		
Foundations		254500 —
Organizations		23180
Individuals		21 —
Accounts Payable		10725
Salaries	1869115	
Social Security	43410	
Withholding Tax		38960
Georgia Withholding Tax		10752
Consultant Fees	180 —	
Travel	277182	
Telephone & Telegraph	144176	
Office Supplies	72890	
Office Equipment	471620	
Postage	34876	
Miscellaneous Expense	22778	
Rent	840 —	
Printing	16726	
Grants for Voter Registration	9881726	
Revolving Bail Fund		500 —
Books & Subscriptions	273 —	
Harrassment - Misc.	25165	
Retirement Insurance		
Hospitalization Ins.		12 —
General Insurance	6386	
Overhead		
Moving Expense		
Payroll Tax ed - 1962		
Georgia Sales Tax	679	
Accounting	150 —	
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MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
Southern Regional Council
September 24, 1963

The meeting of the Executive Committee convened in the Conference Room of the Southern Regional Council, Tuesday, September 24, 1963 at 10:00 a.m.

Those present: Mr. Christopher, Dr. Clement, Mr. Dabbs, Dr. Dent, Mr. Griffin, Mr. Haas, Mrs. Hamilton, Mr. Nelson, Dr. Raymond Wheeler, Miss Wilkins, Dr. Williams, Mr. Marion Wright, Dr. Stephen Wright, Mr. Young, with Mr. John Wheeler presiding.

All members of the professional staff were present with Mrs. Mildred M. Johnson serving as recording secretary.

EXECUTIVE SESSION
(Staff on Call)

Following invocation the agenda and the minutes of the last meeting were approved. The resolution on SRC's tax exemption was circulated and signed by all members present.

GENERAL SESSION

Report of the Mid-Year Audit:

Mrs. Alexander gave a brief review of the mid-year audit. A discussion followed, and the Committee requested that these minutes reflect a summary of the mid-year audit (see attached).

Mr. Haas reported that the Employment Security Agency of the State of Georgia is now requiring SRC to file reports on unemployment taxes for the last seven years. The Council has never in the past filed and paid unemployment taxes. Mr. Haas expressed concern, since as far as he knew non-profit organizations are not exempt. He indicated, however, that he is looking into the matter to see what is involved.

At this point the Committee agreed to amend the Agenda in order to complete all financial matters before turning its attention to other items on the agenda.

Proposed Grants-in-Aid for 1964:

Mr. Anthony submitted for approval the "Proposed Grants-in-Aid for 1964" (see attached). After his

presentation, Dr. Dent raised the question as to why the report made no provision by which state councils would be required to raise matching funds. Messrs. Anthony and Dunbar pointed to the condition in the 1964 proposal requiring each recipient to maintain its 1963 level of local fund-raising. Dr. Dent continued to emphasize the need for SRC imposing a firm requirement, and after much discussion the following motion was made, seconded, and unanimously adopted. That Condition #3 of the Proposed Grants-in-Aid Schedule be amended to read: "It is expected that local fund-raising will be maintained at least at the level of that of 1963. Grants are subject to revision if this is not the case"; and that Condition #5 be deleted. The Grants-in-Aid Schedule, as amended, was then approved.

Plans for the Fellowship of the Concerned:

Mrs. Tilly reported that the Fellowship of the Concerned will hold its annual meeting on October 29 and 30 at the Peachtree Manor Hotel. The theme of the meeting -- "Let Freedom Ring." The three sub-themes: (1) Freedom to Worship; (2) Freedom of Residency - Open Occupancy; and (3) Freedom of Citizenship - the Right to Vote.

Plans for Annual Meeting:

Mr. Jordan reported that plans are underway for our November 25 and 26 Annual Meeting. At the moment it cannot be determined where the meeting will be held since November 25 conflicts with another meeting at the Peachtree Manor where the staff had hoped to slate the SRC meeting.

Mr. Jordan further reported that negotiations had been underway to engage Secretary of State Dean Rusk as our Annual Meeting speaker. However, our efforts failed, although the Secretary has replied that he may be able to accept an invitation to speak in the South at a later date. In view of this, Mr. Wiley Branton has been asked to speak to the Annual Meeting at which time he has been asked to discuss the Voter Education Project -- what it is, and what it has been able to accomplish during its first year of operation. It was pointed out by Mr. Jordan that the press would be invited to cover Mr. Branton's presentation.

The Committee, and especially Messrs. Haas, Clement, and Marion Wright, expressed misgivings over having the VEP discussed openly with the press present. The Committee emphasized the need to avoid this kind of situation in that a bad press, as regards VEP, could jeopardize SRC's tax exemption.

After much discussion of this point, the Committee expressed confidence in the staff and instructed it to move forward with plans for the Annual Meeting, in light of the Committee's discussion.

During the course of the General Session photographs were being shot to be used in connection with a story Life Magazine hopes to do on race relations in the South sometime in the future.

Discussion of Program Review and Evaluation:

Background

Mr. Dunbar pointed out that on the premise that every organization needs, from time to time, to take a look at itself, SRC has undertaken a thorough reassessment of its program activities. This task was done by the staff with the understanding that a completed report should be ready for presentation at the Annual Meeting. Mr. Dunbar pointed out that it was not the staff's intention to project SRC program far into the future, but rather to take a look at what we are now doing in an attempt to determine the effectiveness of our activities, and to look ahead for no more than a two-year period.

Dr. Henry Clark of Union Theological Seminary, had been engaged for the summer to analyze program activities and evaluate them. Dr. Clark's report, a 50-page document, had been reviewed by the staff, rewritten, and reviewed again by the Committee of Advisers on Program Review and Evaluation. The report now before the Committee represents the staff's conclusions, based on the Clark report and its study.

Discussion of Recommendations

After Mr. Dunbar reviewed each recommendation, there followed a discussion.

Mr. Dabbs referred to the statement by Dean Gomillion on page 2 of the report, and stated that it is an excellent summation of the role of SRC. He also referred to point #3 ("--A dedication to the South's promise as a region"), and indicated that we have to give some indication as to what the South's "promise" is.

Mr. Dunbar pointed out that Recommendations #1 and #3 specifically look toward larger program. He further pointed out that this means that SRC's budget for next year may well have to anticipate an additional $10 - $20 thousand dollars to provide for these two recommendations.

Recommendation #4 was discussed briefly and Mr. Marion Wright suggested that if SRC attempts to act as advisers to state governments it ought to do so through the state Councils on Human Relations, letting the local council act as an agent for SRC in an effort to get SRC's image across to state governments.

Dr. Clement, having to leave the meeting prior to adjournment, raised a question regarding Recommendation #5 as to why SRC plans to discontinue its relationship with the National Council of Churches. Mr. Dunbar pointed out that the reason is largely a matter of SRC's limited resources. He reviewed briefly the work done by the Rev. Elbert Jean and stated that Rev. Jean had performed a very valuable service. However, it is the feeling of the staff that with so much denominational activity going on in the South the role of SRC should be that of giving help where help is asked for rather than attempting to initiate action in this field.

Recommendations #15, #16, #17: Mr. Dunbar pointed out that it is the firm conviction of the staff that state Councils on Human Relations urgently need to enlarge their memberships.

Mrs. Hamilton suggested the development of "action research" with the use of consultants in areas where there are state councils. These consultants should be people who are concerned about existing problems and who would take the initiative in finding out what the problems are in those areas. Mrs. Hamilton suggested that this approach could easily serve indirectly to increase memberships. She further pointed out that these consultants could work with whatever problems exist in a given area rather than to limit their services to an analysis of the problems.

Dr. Raymond Wheeler suggested that the role of the state councils should be that of exploring the "breakthroughs" in race relations that have been made possible.

In addition to the discussion of specific recommendations, all of which were agreed to in principle, there was discussion of the format of the report and considerable discussion relating to the conclusion that several of the recommendations needed better substantiation. Dr. Dent, Miss Wilkins, and Dr. R. Wheeler, who had served on the Committee of Advisers, were asked by the Executive Committee to consult further with the staff in revision of the report. The Executive Committee delegated to these three Members authority to approve the revision of the report in its behalf. The staff was further instructed to send to each Member of the Executive Committee, in advance of the next meeting, a copy of the revised report and a copy of the Clark report for background.

Consideration of Public Statement:

The Executive Director reported that the staff had thought that in view of the recent atrocities in Birmingham a public statement deploring them was in order, and had asked Mr. Marion Wright to draw up such a statement. However, the Committee was asked to postpone discussion until the next meeting in order for other matters to be reported on. It was so agreed.

Other Business:

Recently Created Board Vacancies

Mr. Dunbar reported that since the last meeting of the Committee there had occurred the death of a SRC Board Member -- Mr. Charles Shaw of Houston, Texas on June 11, 1963.

Mr. Dunbar further reported that Rev. Kelly Miller Smith, a SRC Board Member, has resigned from the Council because he has left the region to accept a pulpit in Cleveland, Ohio.

Mr. Dunbar also reported the death of the Executive Director of the North Carolina Council on Human Relations -- Mr. Harry Jones on August 26, 1963.

Following Mr. Dunbar's report, the following motion was made: That the staff extend regrets to the families of both Mr. Shaw and Mr. Jones.

Life Fellows

Mr. Dunbar pointed out that last year's Annual Meeting made provision for the election of Life Fellows. Five persons were elected last year. Mr. Dunbar reported that the only name proposed this year, Mrs. David Terry, came from Mrs. Vivion Brewer of Arkansas, and asked the Committee's consideration of Mrs. Terry for election this year.

A lengthy discussion ensued around Mrs. Terry's eligibility, in view of the fact that she is not now nor has ever been a member of the Council. Following discussion, Dr. Stephen Wright suggested that this matter be tabled until the Committee had had an opportunity to give more thought to it, and Dr. John Griffin suggested that a copy of Mrs. Terry's biographical vita be sent to each member of the Committee for study.

Nominations for New Members

Mr. Dunbar noted that the minutes of the Annual Meeting last year show the following action: "That the Nominating Committee be requested to make the nominations before one session of the Council and that voting on the nominations be done at a subsequent session." In view of this action, Mr. Dunbar reported that he had been reluctant to approach persons whose names had been approved by the Nominating Committee for membership in the Council this year. He asked the guidance of the Executive Committee as to whether these persons should be approached now or after Annual Meeting to determine whether they are willing to serve. After some discussion, Mr. Marion Wright moved that this matter be left to the discretion of the Executive Director and Dr. Dent moved further that the full membership be asked to re-consider the action taken last year at Annual Meeting. Both motions were unanimously approved and adopted.

Invitations to Foundation Representatives to SRC Meetings

Mr. John Wheeler proposed to the Committee that invitations be periodically issued to key foundation representatives to sit in on SRC meetings, pointing out

that there would be no better way for foundation people to get a fuller insight into the inner workings of the Council and the Council's financial needs. The Committee concurred with Mr. Wheeler's feelings, but expressed uncertainty as to whether the Executive Committee meetings or the Annual Meetings would be more beneficial. In view of this uncertainty, it was unanimously agreed that this matter be tabled for future discussion.

With no other business, the meeting adjourned at 4:00 p. m.

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

BALANCE SHEET
June 30, 1963

ASSETS

Funds toward future obligations, 1963-64:			
Cash in Bank, Citizens Trust Company - Checking		$ 52,858.52	
Cash in Bank, Citizens Trust Company - Savings		42,864.48	
Cash in Bank, First National Bank - Checking		146,899.54	
Investment in Trust Fund, Trust Company of Georgia	$ 65,901.90		
Income reinvested	1,238.67	67,140.57	
13 Banks for Coop. Cons. Coll. Trust Deb. 3.20% due 12/2/63	$ 25,000.00		
Fed. Inter. Cr. Bank Deb. 3.30% Due 12/2/63	15,000.00	40,000.00	$349,763.11
Inventory, Pamphlets		$ 1,500.00	
Office Equipment		11,236.09	12,736.09
Total Assets			$362,499.20

LIABILITIES

Due to Special Projects, 1963-64:		
Voter Education Project	$145,692.93	
Registration and Voting Survey	1,552.91	
Trust for Burned Churches	5,317.35	
Southern Leadership Project	54,211.57	
Special Fund for Educational Projects	13,812.42	
New Orleans Project	813.59	
Research in Student Adjustment	(6,249.21)	
Consultant Service Program	526.34	
Fellowship of the Concerned	696.97	$216,374.87
Special Grants-in-Aid to Independent State Councils on Human Relations - 1963	$ 38,263.76	
Advance Appropriations, General Operations - 1963-64	8,472.72	
Reserve Fund	67,140.57	
Obligations Outstanding	5,678.67	119,555.72
Total Liabilities		$335,930.59
Excess of Assets over Liabilities		26,568.61
Total		$362,499.20

PROPOSED GRANTS-IN-AID SCHEDULE, 1964

Condition of grants:

1. Grants are payable quarterly on January 1, April 1, July 1, and October 1.

2. Grants will not be paid until such time as adequate quarterly program and financial reports have been received by SRC.

3. It is expected that local fund raising will be maintained at least at the level of that of 1963. Grants are subject to revision if this is not the case.

4. If a recipient state council ceases to employ professional staff, quarterly payments will be suspended pending alternative arrangements.

	Proposed 1964	Budgeted 1963
Alabama	$ 6,000	$ 6,600
Arkansas	5,400	5,400
Florida	5,400	7,400
Georgia	6,000	6,300
North Carolina*	5,900	5,900
South Carolina	6,000	6,300
Tennessee	6,000	6,300
Virginia	7,200	7,500
Mississippi	2,500	500
Houston	2,600	2,600
New Orleans	-	1,000
Contingency	2,000	
	$55,900	$55,800

In announcing the grants-in-aid program for 1964 the Southern Regional Council wishes to emphasize that this is the final year of the foundation grants which have made this program possible.

*Grants will not be made to the North Carolina Council until such time as that Council has $2,500 on hand and adequate arrangements have been made to employ professional staff.

The Council is hopeful these grants will be renewed after 1964 and that this program of financial assistance to state councils can continue. However, there is no assistance of this and the possible termination of this program must be considered.

With this in mind, the Executive Committee has directed the SRC staff to give all possible encouragement and assistance to state council programs and efforts aimed at strengthening program, increasing membership, and local financial support.

If the grants-in-aid program is continued after 1964, major attention will be directed toward assisting those state councils with the most productive programs, the highest degree of local support, and the greatest rate of increase in local support. Other factors such as program potential and the difficulty of operation will continue to be important considerations, but program quality will increasingly be of concern to the Southern Regional Council.

August 26, 1963

Memo: to Members of the Nominating Committee

From: Paul Anthony

Enclosed are items which you may wish to have prior to the meeting on September 5: an analysis of members and a list of the members of the class of 1963. All of these persons are eligible for reelection, but the By-laws require that at least five of them be dropped.

New members be elected.

Please let us know if we can provide a travel advance, make hotel reservations, or otherwise be of help.

We look forward to seeing you on the 5th at 10:00 a. m.

Mr. Irving Carlyle
Mr. Luther H. Hodges
Rabbi Charles Mantlebaum
Mr. Raymond Wheeler
Mr. Thomas Young

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL
5 Forsyth Street, NW
Atlanta, Georgia

MEMORANDUM August 1, 1962

To: SRC Board Members

From: Paul Anthony

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The Nominating Committee will meet during September to determine the Committee's recommendations to be placed before the Members at the Annual Meeting on November 19.

The By-Laws state that, although Members of a given class (in this instance the Class of 1962) may be re-elected, those chosen must include at least five new Members. An additional five members are to be added to the class. Therefore, at least ten (10) new Members will be elected.

The Committee would like to have your suggestions for new Members. If you will send them to me, I will see that they are presented to the Nominating Committee. Please include as much information as possible about the person or persons whom you recommend.

The members of the Nominating Committee are:

Mr. Irving Carlyle
Dr. Luther H. Foster
Rabbi Charles Mantinband
Dr. Raymond Wheeler
Mr. Thomas Young

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Bulletin • University of Miami Alumni News

CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA AUGUST, 1962 VOL. 36 NO. 23

New President Addresses Rotarians

Dr. Stanford Urges Combined Effort

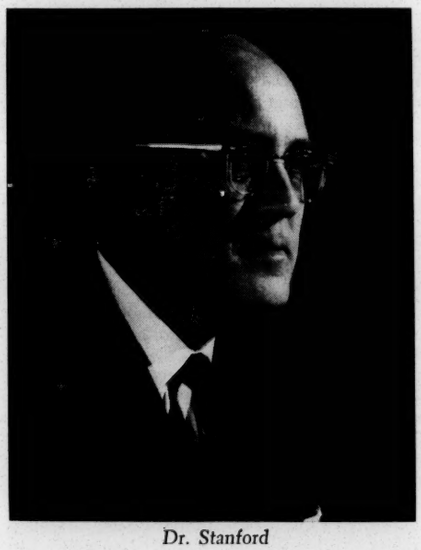
Only by the combined efforts of hard headed business men of the town and high minded educators of the campus can America achieve its full greatness, Dr. Henry King Stanford, president of the University of Miami, told the Coral Gables Rotary club in his first public address since assuming office July 1.

"The practical town and the idealistic gown can make common cause for the lasting benefit of our country," said Dr. Stanford to the Rotarians assembled at the Coral Gables Country Club.

Referring to the conflict between idealism and pragmatism stressed in Eugene O'Neill's play "The Touch of the Poet," said Dr. Stanford: "Perhaps O'Neill is trying to tell us that America will never reach its true potential unless its genius for the practical is merged with its inherited idealism."

Turning more directly to the place of higher education in today's American society, Dr. Stanford continued: "I represent before you a segment of our society which is dedicated to the maintenance of an atmosphere in which ideas may flourish; which provided an opportunity for succeeding generations to become acquainted with the accumulated knowledge of the ages; and which seeks to inspire the creative among us to reach their potential, for it is on the shoulders of the few uncommon men that civilization advances for the benefit of countless common ones.

"I speak of higher education and my description of its purposes is purposely idealistic. Regardless of the public's enthusiasm for certain ancillary features of American education—Saturday circuses, campuses and physical features, prestigious titles of administrators—education institutions, if they have a right to their designation, really are in business to stretch the brains of their charges to provide an intellectual challenge and in



Dr. Stanford

some way, however inadequate, to make a contribution toward preserving and extending the finest that is bequeathed to us.

"The exciting developments of the space age dramatically underscore this intellectual role of the University which I am describing. If the United States is to maintain scientific and political leadership in the accelerated pace of the space age it must produce increasing numbers of college graduates with intellectual stamina and professional skills and techniques. If Florida is to capture a role of significance in the national setting it must have universities in step with the rapid strides of the space age.

Future Needs

"To meet this challenge, the University of Miami already has begun to study its future needs. Already we feel the weight of the awesome responsibility to keep this university in tune with the times. We must make sure that our young people have an opportunity to be instructed in the burgeoning space and communications sciences.

"To have the university play the productive and significant role which I envision for it for the space age, we shall need continuing assistance from our good friends of the community. They can help us through their encouragement and financial donations. In time we shall give the community a specific recitation of our needs as we foresee them.

"First we must have a commitment to lofty purpose, a conviction which must be shared by the members of the academic community; we must have competent people on the faculty and staff to work toward it; and finally we must have adequate physical facilities for this role to be accomplished.

"As just one example of the problem we face, it is estimated that faculty salaries over the country will double over the next decade. If we are to maintain and recruit competent faculty we must do more than this. The greatest subsidy to the education of young people in the United States today is made by faculty members by their willingness to teach at salaries which are below the wages the country pays to technicians and in many cases to laborers and many kinds of jobs."

Focusing on his first month on the campus, said Dr. Stanford: "None of the excitement I experienced on being appointed president of the University of Miami has abated in the slightest during the first month of my residence and work here. Many astute observers in other parts of the country share my own sense of expectancy about this great South Florida area and the University of Miami. Two letters I received recently from friends in Wisconsin and Virginia will illustrate what I have in mind about the interest which other parts of the country have in this exciting section.

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...Combined Effort

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The letter from Wisconsin told me that I "was stepping into the future." The one from Virginia said "you could build your own pyramids here."

"Perhaps the analogy expressed and implied in these two interesting phrases is appropriate altogether to this bustling university and community. After all, the ancient Egyptian kings did plan to step into the future in solar boats housed in their pyramids. Solar boats now have become transformed literally into space vehicles, and if any figurative pyramids are going to be built, they will be visible only as the University is led into a position of leadership and service in this great space age that has burst upon us."

Dr. Stanford emphasized the close ties that the community and the university have maintained through the years as they progressed together and paid high tribute to the achievements of his predecessors in the University presidency, Dr. Bowman F. Ashe and Dr. Jay F. W. Pearson. Said he, "I have nothing but sheer admiration for the leadership which these two educators gave the cause of higher learning in this community."

Dr. Stanford also paid tribute to the many leading men and women who had helped through gifts and work to build the University and pointed to the increasing importance of the University Alumni in the professional business and political life of its home area.

AD MEN ESTABLISH LOAN FUND

A group of Greater Miami advertising men have established a loan fund at the University of Miami to assist undergraduate students in the fields of marketing and journalism.

The fund, set up by the Greater Miami Professional and Alumni chapter of Alpha Delta Sigma, national advertising fraternity, will be used for students needing assistance during their last three semesters at the University.

A check for $300 to start the fund was presented this week to Dr. H. Franklin Williams, UM vice president and director of community affairs, by Edward M. Grout, local ADS president, and Louis G. Jacobs, past president. As chairman of the scholarship committee, Dr. Williams will administer the fund.

One of the primary purposes of the alumni chapter—largest in the country—is to help members of the UM George E. Merrick chapter bridge the gap between undergraduate work and the professional field.

ALUMNOTES

By Ann F. Meyers

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Clarice M. Schleifer received her LLB degree from University of Maryland Law School, June 1962. Address: 6112 Fairdel Ave., Baltimore 6, Md.

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Harding S. Frankel, independent oil operator, has been elected to the Board of Directors of Bolsa Chica Oil Corporation, Los Angeles. Harding is active in Houston civic affairs and is a part owner of the Houston Colts baseball team. Address: 1907 Tennessee Bldg., Houston 2, Tex.

1947

Robert J. Bilger has joined Royal McBee Corp., as a data processing sales representative at the company's Tampa office. Address: 8201 S. W. 62nd Ave., Miami, Fla.

1948

James Joshua Mott is Public Administrator Adviser under US AID, assigned to the Liberian Special Commission on Government Operations. Address: US AID Liberia, c/o Mail Room, Dept. of State, Washington, D. C.

1949

Veda N. Jaeger received her Master of Social Work from Florida State University at the June Convocation, 1962. Address: 2113 Fairview, Lakeland, Fla.

1951

Herbert Baitinger has been promoted to assistant manager of the J. C. Penney Co. at Waycross, Ga. His wife, the former Joycelyn George '49 and two children plan to move to Waycross, Ga. *George G. Balbi* is sales representative with Viasa International Airways. Address: 1942 Tomlinson Ave., New York 61, N. Y. *Donald F. Bohnet* received his Master of Education degree from Temple University, Phila., Pa. *Darlene I. Ford* received her Master degree in Education from Temple University, Phila., Pa. Address: State Teachers College, Millersville, Pa. *Ray K. Lee* stopped at the Alumni office while vacationing in Florida. Ray is with the Defense Electronic Supply Center as a logistics officer, Dayton, Ohio. Ray returned just recently from a five year stay overseas. Lorene, his wife, who attended the University of Miami recently graduated from the University of Dayton and is teaching. Address 4317 Grayson St., Dayton 29, Ohio. *Roy Morser* is working in the public relations organization of the Western Electric Company at 195 Broadway (A. T. & T. Bldg.) New York. His current project involves educational television. Address 1394 - 3 Ave., New York 21, N. Y. *Shelvin Rosen* is co-author of a technical paper to be presented at the 69th annual meeting of the American Society of Heating, Refrigerating and air-conditioning engineers, Miami Beach, Fla. One of the co-authors, Dr. Walter O. Walker is Dean Emeritus and Director of the Industrial Chemical Research Laboratory at U of M. Shelvin is a research instructor at U of M. Address: 2750 N. W. 155th Terrace, Opa Locka, Fla. *Juvenile Judge Ben Sheppard* received the Dale Carnegie "Human Relations" award in recognition of his outstanding contribution to the welfare of children, both as a physician and a Judge. Award was presented by Mrs. Dorothy Carnegie at a banquet concluding the 50th convention of Dale Carnegie and Associates at the Carrillon Hotel, Miami Beach. Dr. Sheppard was recently installed as Director of our General Alumni Association. *Harold F. Vaughan, Jr.* was awarded the degree of Master of Religious Education at the 150th annual commencement exercise of Princeton Theological Seminary. Harold will take up residence in Springfield, Mo. where he will be the Director of Christian Education at the First and Calvary Presbyterian Church. Harold is married and has two children. Address 3460 S. E. 15th St., Oakland Park, Fla. *Army Maj. Joseph Wasco, Jr.*, completed the sixteen week associate course at the Army Command and General Staff College, Fort Levenworth, Kans. Home address: Windsor Rd., Route 1, Hightstown, N. J.

1952

Richard Goodman is a partner in the law firm of Pallot, Marks, Lundeen, Poppell and Horwich, Miami, Fla. His wife, the former Barbara C. Warner '59, gave birth to their daughter, Rhonda Faith, February 16th. Address: 14621 S. W. 83rd Ct., Miami 56, Fla. *Jack McCabe* was recently elected president of the Park Ridge Multiple Listing Service. Jack operates two real estate offices in the Northwest suburban area of Chicago (Park Ridge and Mt. Prospect). Jack, his wife, Yvonne and four children live at 130 Wildwood Rd., Elk Grove Village, Ill. *Dr. Philip Weinstein* has recently opened his private office for the practice of internal medicine. Philip's wife is the former Dorothy Oshlag '52. They have recently had a daughter, Susan. Address: 1500 N. 40th Ave., Hollywood, Fla.

1953

Dr. Andrew J. Edmiston has been advanced to associate professor counseling and testing service at Lehigh University, Bethlehem, Pa. Dr. Edmiston is certified psychologist by the Penna. Psychological Assoc., a member of the Eastern Psychological Assoc., the American Psychological Asso and the American Association for the Advancement of Science. Address: R. D. 1., Center Valley, Pa. *Edward W. English* is in the sales department of Lederle Laboratories, a division of American Cyanamid Co. Ed is married and has three boys. Address: 4206 San Pedro, Tampa, Fla.

1954

William R. Cheek stopped at the alumni office on his way to Buenos Aires on Government Grant (Spanish Research) for the summer. This is Bill's first trip back to the campus after eight years absence. Address: 858 Rutledge Ave., Charleston, S. C. *Glenn P. Mugler*, Captain and Maintenance Officer of the 29th Transportation Battalion's Headquarters in Boblingen, Germany, participated in Grand Slam I, a five day Central Army Group exercise in Germany. His wife Shirley is with him in Germany. Home address: 233 Marion St., Toledo 9, Ohio. *George Schwartz* has been appointed Director of WTVJ-TV, Channel 4, Miami. George is married and has two children. Address: 2240 S. W. 89th St., Miami, Fla. *Major and Mrs. Joseph J. Stein* have moved to 530 Biscayne Blvd., Apt 8 M, Miami 32, Fla.

1955

Dr. Arnold Epstein has joined Thomas J. Lipton, Inc., world famous tea and food concern as a project leader in the Product Development Department. Address: 4 Forestdale Rd., Spring Valley, N. Y. *Ernest R. and June M. Freeman* '58, have recently moved to 916 Ridgewood St., Annapolis, Md. Ernest is a research engineer with the Armour Research Foundation and is working at the newly activated Electromagnetic Compatability Analysis Center at Annapolis. He is the project director for an investigation of ultra high frequency radio interference in the southeast United States. *Dr. Frederick A. Kalber, Jr.* was conferred the degree of Doctor of Philosophy at the 113th Commencement Exercise of University

of Delaware. Address: 1421 N. Broadview Ave., Wichita 8, Kans. *Howard Mesh*, C.P.A., has formed a partnership with Howard Miller '50 and have opened an office in Biltmore Professional Bldg., Coral Gables, Fla. Howard is married to the former Sandy Rosin '56. They have two children and reside at 1840 S. W. 87th Place, Miami, Fla.

1956

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lerman (nee Rhoda Sniderman '57) visited in Miami. While Robert served in Alaska as Naval Lt., Rhoda taught school in Kodiak, Alaska. Before returning to the states they toured Japan. Robert is presently with his father, Lerman Inc., floor covering distributors, Syracuse. They have two daughters. Address: Lyndon Rd., Fayetteville, N. Y. *William A. Lotz*, testing and technical service engineer wih Owens-Corning Fiberglas Corp., Granville, Ohio, will present a technical paper at the 69th Annual Meeting of the American Society of Heating, Refrigeration and Air-Conditioning Engineers, Deauville Hotel, Miami Beach. Address: R. D. 2, Johnstown, Ohio.

1957

Otho F. Daubenspeck is manager of Sears, Roebuck and Co. in Keyport, N. J. *Michael E. Doddo* received his Master degree in Education from Rutgers University, New Jersey. Home address: 1151 N. E. 154 Terrace, No. Miami Beach, Fla. *Jack Eff, M. D.*, is associated with Morton B. Bramson, M. D. for practice of pediatrics. Address: 1680 Meridian Ave., Suite 514, Miami Beach 39, Fla. *1st Lt. Douglas A. Johnson* is assigned to Moody AFB, Ga. following his graduation from United State Air Force. Lt. Johnson was instructed in psychology of learning, oral and written communication, methods and techniques of instruction and practice teaching. *Myron S. "Mike" Krasny* has become a partner in the general practice of law with Kelley & Stroud under the name of Kelley, Stroud & Krasny. Address: 558 Fairway Drive, Tallahassee, Fla. *Henry A. Marin* received his Master of Science degree from Wagner College, Staten Island, N. Y. Address: 1460 Mantua Ave., Coral Gables, Fla. *Dr. Anthony Vinciguerra* received his Ph.D. degree from Florida State University. He has accepted a postdoctoral National Science Foundation fellowship to study nuclear magnetic resonance and electron spin resonance of inorganic compounds at the University of Texas. Home address: 6301 N. Miami Ave., Miami 50, Fla.

1958

Robert Fischer is activities director of the Jacksonville Jewish Center. He is presently taking extension courses and part time work at FSU towards a Masters in Sociology. Bob and his wife Linda reside at 8068 Argentine Drive W., Jacksonville, Fla. *M. Lawrence Glasser* was granted his doctorate degree from the college of Engineering and Science by Carnegie Institute of Technology, Pittsburgh, Penna. Address: 60 E. Lakeview Ave., Columbus, O. *Rosemarie A. Kascher* has returned to United States from Japan and is now residing at 2241 Galeta Ave., Youngstown, Ohio. *A. Barry Kon* is associated with the Julien J. Studley, Inc., real estate leasing firm located at 79 Wall St., New York 5, N. Y. Address: 156 East 37 St., New York, N. Y. *John Raymond Lott* a Florida Southern College faculty member of the English Department received a doctor of Philosophy degree June 3 at Duke University, Durham, N. C. John received his AB and MS from U of M. His wife is the former *Mary Sandra Spinor* '59. Address: 427 Bager Blvd., Lakeland, Fla. *Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Schneider (nee Marjorie Gammage '57)* are now residing in Shippenburg, Penna. R. L. received his Master degree from University of Chicago in June and is teaching geography at Shippensburg State College, Pa. Address: Box 423 State College, Shippensburg, Pa.

1959

George A. Colgan is senior assistant manager of F. S. Kresge Co. store in Birmingham, Alabama. Address: 21 Honeysuckle Lane, Birmingham, Ala. *Mr. and Mrs. Edward J. Fleming* stopped at the alumni office to visit while vacationing in Miami. Home address: 220 Breckinridge, Hampton, Va. *Wilfred N. Gordon* was recently made assistant manager of W. T. Grant Co. store at Cutler Ridge, Miami. Bill and his wife and two children reside at 9865 Pan American Drive, Cutler Ridge, Miami 56, Fla. *Martha Green* has been awarded a newspaper fund full summer grant to study journalism at Columbia University. Martha has also been given a graduate assistantship in the Journalism School of the Pennsylvania State University for the entire years of 1962-63. She will be working toward her master degree. Address: Box 12374, Lake Park, Fla. *Roy Wayne Johnston* received his B.D. degree from the College of the Bible, Lexington, Ky. *Charles R. Latch* is employed as senior engineer at Radiation Electronics Corporation, Palm Bay, Fla. Address: P. O. Box 174, Palm Bay, Fla. *Richard B. Pitbladdo* is employed by Sperry Gyroscope Co., Great Neck, L. I., N. Y. Dick received his MSME degree in '61 from Rensselaer Polytechnic Inst. Address: 293 Laurel Rd., Northport, L. I., N. Y. *Lawrence David Schwartz* and wife the former *Anita Speisman '58* are residing at 3514 Park Ave., Apt. 10, Richmond, Va. Larry is a junior at the Medical College of Virginia, School of Dentistry. Anita is teaching in the Richmond Public Schools. *Lee A. Thralls* received his Master's in Rehabilitation Counseling from the University of Florida. He is now counseling the mentally ill at the South Caorlina State Hospital, State Park Division, Columbia, S. C.

1960

Eldred R. Bratsen received his Master of Social Work from Florida State University June 1962. Address: 1906-9 Ave. So., Birmingham 5, Ala. *Norman C. Middleton, Jr.* received his Master of Social Work from Florida State University, June 1962. Address: 1530 N. W. 33 Ave., Miami, Fla. *Larry M. Rosenhaus* is stationed at New Cumberland General Depot in New Cumberland, Pa. Larry is married to the former Patricia Ann Coyle. Address: 1st Lt. Lawrence M. Rosenhaus, NCGD, U. S. Army, New Cumberland, Pa. *Michael H. Turton* received his paratrooper wings after completing four weeks of intensive ground and aerial training and instruction in the techniques of air transportation and delivery. Home address: 50 Cayuga Rd., Sea Ranch Lakes, Fort Lauderdale, Fla. *Francis Seidman* was promoted to 1st Lt. He is serving as a member of the 24th Infantry Division in Germany. Home address: 2255 S. W. 28th St., Miami, Fla. *Ellen Zuckerman* received her Master of Business Administration from New York University. Ellen is doing economic research for Metropolitan Life Insurance Co. Address: 305 E. 72nd St., New York 21, N. Y.

1961

2nd Lt. Thomas S. Clark completed the artillery officer basic course at The Artillery and Missile School, Fort Sill, Okla. Home address: 313 E. Third Ave., North Wildwood, N. J. *Capt. William E. Cooper* completed the regular course at the U. S. Army Command and General Staff College, Fort Leavenworth, Kans. He is being assigned to U. S. Army Language School in Monterey, Calif. Address: P. O. Box 420, Prattville, Ala. *Bruce Feld* received his Master degree from Rutgers University, N. J. Address: 15800 N. E. 4 Ave., North Miami Beach, Fla. *Paul J. King* is presently attending Aeronautic School in Chicago. Paul returned to Miami to be best man at Skip Meyers' wedding. Address: 417 Lenox, Oak Park, Ill.

1962

Howard Neu is junior accountant with Weber, Thompson & Lefcourt, C. P. A. Address: 12209 W. Dixie Hwy., Apt. 6, N. Miami, Fla.

BIRTHS

1950

Mr. and Mrs. James R. Dezell (Joan Cornberg '55 and 58) a daughter, Lori Ann. Lori has a brother Jimmy and sister Lisa. Address: 420 Caligula, Coral Gables, Fla. *Mr. and Mrs. Lee Shapiro (nee Laurel Rosenbaum '48)* a daughter, Lisa Diana. They have a daughter Linda. Address: 6471 S. W. 22nd St., W. Miami, Fla.

1952

Mr. and Mrs. Robert J. Lewison (nee Rita Kirschner '60) a daughter, Kimberly Sue. They have a daughter Lorena M'liss. Address: 2031 S. W. 17th Terrace, Miami, Fla.

1953

Dr. and Mrs. Jay M. Cohen, a son, Neal Matthew. Address: 224 Santander, Coral Gables, Fla. *Mr. and Mrs. Michael Colasurdo (nee Joy Sollod)*, a son, David Bernard. They have a daughter Elizabeth. Address: 102 Colgate St., Jersey City, N. J.

1957

Mr. and Mrs. Anthony C. Allegri, a daughter, Dawn Adeline. Address: 19 Fairway Drive, Hanover, N. J. *Mr. and Mrs. Nortimer S. Cohen*, a son, Mitchell Neal. Address: 1152 - 99th St., Miami Beach, Fla. *Mr. and Mrs. Thomas R. Dixon*, a son, James Lee. Tom is presently employed as special assistant to the controller of Gulf American Land Corp., developers of Cape Coral, Fla. They have a son Michael. Address: 1416 Medina Ave., Coral Gables, Fla. *Mr. and Mrs. Allen Levin*, a son, David Newmark. Address: 732 N. W. Deedra St., Port Charlotte, Fla. *Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Muckler (nee Donna Lynne Owens '58)*, a son, Christopher Scott. They have a son Tommy. Tom owns an automatic car wash in St. Louis. Address: 5835 Sunshine Dr., St. Louis 9, Mo.

1958

Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Mauer (nee Elaine McNamara), a son, Frederick J. Address: 1032 Bramly Dr., Hagerstown, Md. *Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Zopfi (nee Suzanne Sawyer)*, a daughter, Stephanie Annette. Hhey have a daughter Mary Margaret. Address: 1830 N. W. 133 St., Miami, Fla.

1959

Mr. and Mrs. Roger H. Jennings, Jr. (nee Louise Loucks), a son, Blair Sutton. Roger is in business with his father. Address: 703 Courtenay Dr., N.E., Atlanta, Ga. *Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Lutz (nee Ruth A. Lund)*, a daughter, Suzanne Kathleen. Address: 4441 N. W. 30th St., Fort Lauderdale, Fla. *Mr. and Mrs. Gerald J. Renuart (nee Maureen Geller '59)*, a daughter, Shirley Kathleen. Jerry and Maureen recently returned from Guam, Hong Kong, Japan, Philippines and Hawaii (tour of duty). Jerry is Lt. in the US Navy and currently serving as recruiting officer in Macon, Ga. Address: 2909 Southshore Place, Apt. 4, Macon, Ga.

1960

Mr. and Mrs. Donald W. Cook, a son, Donald Wayne, Jr. Address: 5715 S. W. 58th Terrace, Miami, Fla. *Mr. and Mrs. Ted Dorchak (Charlotte Margolis)*, a daughter, Michele Susan. Address: 806 - 84th St., Miami Beach, Fla. *Mr. and Mrs. Lester Gallant (nee Antonia Maslow)*, a son, Mitchell Craig. Address: 108 Merrison St., Teaneck, N. J.

1961

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gleckman, a son, Arie Dean. Bob is employed with Underwood Olivetti Corp. Address: 4413 W. Flagler St., Miami, Fla.

MARRIAGES

1940

Elaine Rheney Casteline and *Adam Wm. Fischer '54*. Address: 10090 N. E. 12 Ave., Miami, Fla.

1951

Eugene P. Malone and Irene Marian Jackson. Address: 12304 Rochester Ave., Los Angeles 25, Calif.

CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA

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Bohlen Goes To U. of Bridgeport

Jack R. Bohlen, Asst. Director of Development

Jack R. Bohlen, assistant director of development for the University of Miami since November, 1958, on September 1 will become director of development for the University of Bridgeport, Bridgeport, Connecticut.

In announcing Mr. Bohlen's resignation from the University of Miami administration to accept his new position, President Henry King Stanford paid high tribute to his outstanding service to the University, both as assistant director of development and previously as coordinator of high school relations.

At Bridgeport, Dr. James H. Halsey, president of the University of Bridgeport, on behalf of the institution, expressed his pleasure at the addition of Mr. Bohlen to the administrative staff.

Mr. Bohlen received his B.B.A. degree from the University of Miami in 1952. As an undergraduate he took a leading part in student activities, serving as President of the Student Body Government in 1951 and of his fraternity, Lambda Chi Alpha. The two top campus honorary organizations for men, Iron Arrow and Omicron Delta Kappa, tapped him for membership.

UM Investigates Uncharted Weather

The University of Miami Radar Meteorological Laboratory of the Institute of Marine Science has begun investigating the uncharted weather systems of South Florida, the Gulf of Mexico and the Caribbean.

Harold P. Gerrish, Research Associate, who came to UM May 15 after serving with the U.S. Weather Bureau in Miami and Jacksonville, is working under a $27,000 renewable grant from the U.S. Army Signal Corps.

Gerrish, who holds an M.S. degree from Florida State University, is trying to establish weather patterns of winds, rainfall, clouds, and temperature which could be used by any tropical weather service for more accurate prediction of local systems.

His work is basic research and many of the weather systems that he will study —including some over the Everglades— have never been described before. These smaller systems being investigated are often caught up and missed in the larger easterly waves common to the whole tropic region.

In his work, Gerrish will use data beamed back to earth by the U.S. Tiros weather satellites, as well as the two radar scanners atop the UM Merrick Building which are capable of covering a 400-mile diameter.

The UM Radar Meteorological Laboratory is headed by Professor Homer W. Hiser.

Law Library Milestone

The University of Miami law library has reached its 100,000th volume milestone with the receipt of a handsomely illustrated quarto. "Topolski's Legal London," an artist's conception of the legal center of activities in London, with an accompanying text by Francis Cowper, legal historian of Gray's Inn.

Published in Great Britain by Stevens & Sons, Ltd., the book is "a commentary on legal London and a guide to its history, people, traditions and its day to day life." It is the gift of Delta Theta Phi Alumni as a memorial to the late Royall P. Terry, Sr., Miami attorney whose son is now a senior in the School of Law.

Finest in State

Recognized as the finest law collection in the State of Florida, the law library last year was ranked 24th among 150 law school libraries in this country by the American Association of Law Libraries, according to Law Librarian Harriet L. French.

Russell A. Rasco, professor of law and dean emeritus, is credited with setting the law library on its path to distinguished holdings in Roman law, early Old English, European and Latin American law collections.

Started in 1926 with a few volumes given by the first Dean, Richmond Austin Rasco, the law library in the past 15 years has grown from 18,000 to 100,000 volcmes, acquired both by gift and by purchase.

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Board Nominating Ctee 1963

November 1, 1962

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar, Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Les:

Thank you for your letter concerning the action of the Nominating Committee. I understand your feeling, however, I think they were exactly right. Although religious leaders have from the inception of the Council been most active in forwarding its place in the South, the churches should not necessarily feel they must have a place on the Executive Committee. We are not a group representing any organizations. I would say that this goes for labor organizations too, as much as I appreciate the contributions of Paul Christopher. Since I have been a trustee of several organizations that have been rather static so far as continuing the same members on their Boards I feel that it is most important for rotation of the membership of any body. A valuable person gets re-elected after an absence and this gives an opportunity for new ideas and new energies to be used.

I shall certainly miss my association with the Executive Committee as this has been one of my real satisfactions. Whether or not I have contributed much I cannot say. I have considered the S.R.C. to be one of the great reconciling influences in the South. Your consideration in explaining the situation to me is certainly appreciated and you can be sure you have my strong support as a member of the Board. You certainly are carrying on in the tradition which George Mitchell so firmly established.

With every good wish for you and looking forward to seeing you on the 19th, I am

Sincerely,

Carroll

~~Nominating Comm~~

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October 24, 1962

The Rev. W. Carroll Brooke
St. Elizabeth's Episcopal Church
P. O. Box 4211
Roanoke, Virginia

Dear Carroll:

I write this with some embarrassment considering the correspondance you and I had a few weeks back. The Nominating Committee has met. I want to inform you in advance, and unofficially, that the Committee will not renominate you for membership on the Executive Committee. Most important, I want you to understand how this came about.

For a couple of years now the Nominating Committees have discussed, and expressed some uneasiness of, having a clergyman of the three faiths on the Executive Committee. The matter came up again this year and was pursued very energetically. Let me emphasize that the Committee had nothing at all against clergymen. It simply reached a decision that it was opposed to any principle of representation on the Executive Committee. It therefore decided to place in nomination next month replacements for all three clergymen--you, Rabbi Rothschild, and Father Sigur. --now on the Executive Committee. As I sat in on the meeting and heard this decision reached it fairly took my breath away, though I cannot say that I disagree with it on principle, especially as the Committee instructed me to advise next year's nominating committee that its action was not intended to prejudice the election of clergymen to the Executive Committee; on the contrary, the Nominating Committee recognized that a great deal of our strength lies among our clergy members. What this year's Committee thought should be abandoned was the long-standing practice of automatically selecting one representative of each of the faiths. I thought that to break this custom it was necessary this one year to make a sweep and it did so.

I shall personally regret not having you with the Executive Committee next year (assuming that the nominations are approved). I look forward, however, to seeing you next month for both the Executive Committee and the Annual Meeting.

I am not similarly informing Father Sigur and Rabbi Rothschild of this.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

LWD:A

Leslie W. Dunbar

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FOR THE GUIDANCE OF THE 1963 NOMINATING COMMITTEE
(From the Minutes of the Annual Meeting, Nov. 1962)

"....Mr. Dabbs said that each member of the Council is written and asked to suggest names for the guidance of the Nominating Committee. He added that the concern seemed to be that state council people have prior notice of names to be submitted from their areas. He asked that it be recorded and passed along to the new Nominating Committee for their consideration as to the way future nominations be handled. He noted further that state councils are not affiliates of the Council but are autonomous organizations.

"A request was made that the report of the Nominating Committee be mimeographed and included in the kit given out at the beginning of each meeting.

"It was moved, seconded, and approved: That the Nominating Committee be requested to make the nominations before one session of the Council and that voting on the nominations be done at a subsequent session."

Memo

FROM THE DESK OF **HAROLD FLEMING**

File: 1963 Nominating Cttee

Babcock – OK

Parrish – OK

Sugarman

Kreger – OK

~~Wilson~~ Alexander

Cox – OK

Johnston – OK

Duncan – OK

~~Egelle~~ Schutt ✓

Young – OK

~~Patterson~~ Youngdahl ✓

Sander – OK

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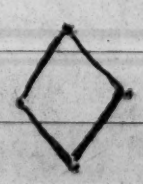

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Selection of Nominating Committee
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Head (for Johnston)
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Schutt (for Eyelle) accepted
Alexander declined
Youngdahl accepted
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January 8, 1963

Mr. James M. Dabbs, President
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Dabbs:

An enforced long period of absence from my office has prevented my replying to your letter sooner. Please accept my apology. I assure you, however, I had only partial control over this circumstance.

I am deeply affected by the consideration the Southern Regional Council gives me in electing me to membership. I shall give the very best service of which I am capable.

I acknowledge receipt of copies of By-Laws, Aims and Purpose, and 1963 Budget. Many thanks.

I look upon this as an opportunity for effective service and I anticipate a very pleasant association for the duration of this membership at least.

Yours very truly,

Jno. G. Lewis, Jr.

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Rec'd 5/10/63

Linville Falls, N.C.
May 8, 1963

Dr. Leslie W. Dunbar
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth St., N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Les:

~~I will~~ appreciate your arranging a meeting between Dr. Wright, Miss Wilkins and myself at 9:00 A.M. at the SRC office on May 21st. I believe this will give us ample opportunity to exchange views as to a suitable successor to Mr. Dabbs.

Thanking you, I am

Yours sincerely,

M. A. W.

M. A. Wright

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May 24, 1963

Mrs. Mildred M. Johnson
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mrs. Johnson:

I shall be very glad to accept the invitation to serve on the Nominating Committee for 1963.

See Nom. ctte 1963 - wh folder

Sincerely yours,

James A. Colston

James A. Colston
President

jac/mab

Same ltr. sent to Dean B. R. Brazeal, Morehouse College

Make-safe

May 22, 1963

Dr. James A. Colston
President
Knoxville College
Knoxville, Tennessee

Dear Dr. Colston:

At the last meeting of the Executive Committee it was voted to ask you to serve on the Nominating Committee for 1963. This Committee is charged with bringing in nominations for officers and Board vacancies at the next annual meeting. The staff solicits suggestions from all Members and prepares a list of possible candidates for the Committee, which will meet one time in the fall.

The second person named by the Executive Committee was Dean B. R. Brazeal; the members elected at the Annual Meeting, all of whom have agreed to serve, were Mr. Irving Carlyle, Rabbi Charles Mantinband, and Dr. Luther Foster.

Mrs. James Gadsdale
Vice versa

The Nominating Committee of the Council always has a particularly valuable service to perform, and I hope you will write that we can count on your service.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Mildred M. Johnson
Secretary to the Director

MMJ

June 4, 1963

Les,

Dean Brazeal telephoned this morning and left word that he will be pleased to serve on the 1963 Nominating Committee.

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Message taken by Mrs. Knox

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1963 NOMINATING COMMITTEE:

Dean B. R. Brazeal
Mr. Irving Carlyle
Dr. James A. Colston
Dr. Luther Foster
Rabbi Charles Mantinband

Persons to be Considered for Nominations:

Mary Sands - Will Serve

Sa. E. Duncan - Will Serve

Mrs. Frances Cae - Will Serve

Paul Johnston - Will Serve

C. H. Parish - Will Serve

Hugh Patterson - to be heard from

Alternate: Mr. Youngdahl, Jane E. Came serve, Not Crawford) approached then will not Serve - 11/13/63

R. L. Eyelle - or Mrs. Schutt - } to be approached by Dr. Beattel

Dr. Sam Nakirt - will Serve

~~(to be approached by Mrs. Kaypor)~~

Mr. Russell Sugarman - to be heard from

Ralph Dreger - Will Serve

Jack Young - to be approached
~~occupied~~ by W. Blantor

Prof. Ed. ~~Web~~ Wilson
(to be heard from)

Memo from RUTH HOUSE ALEXANDER

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MEMORANDUM

June 13, 1963

To: SRC Board Members and State Council Directors
From: Mildred M. Johnson
Secretary to the Director

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The Nominating Committee will meet during late August or ~~early~~ September to determine the Committee's recommendations to be placed before the Members at the Annual Meeting on November 25.

In accordance with the By-Laws, from 8-~~10~~ 12 new members will need to be elected this year.

The Committee would like to have your suggestions for new members. If you will send them to me, I shall see that they are presented to the Nominating Committee. Please include as much information as possible about the person or persons whom you recommend.

You will recall that ~~last year~~ two years ago a class of Life Fellows was established. There is no compulsion nor is it even desirable to feel that we have to elect Fellows each year. However, if you have any suggestions of persons who would appropriately fit into this category, please send in their names for consideration by the Nominating Committee.

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The members of the 1963 Nominating Committee are:

Dean B. R. Brazeal
Mr. Irving Carlyle
Dr. James A. Colston
Dr. Luther H. Foster
Rabbi Charles Mantinband

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
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MEMORANDUM June 19, 1963

To: Members of the Nominating Committee:
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I CAN BE PRESENT ON:

August	26_____	September	3_____
"	27_____	"	4_____
"	28_____	"	5_____
"	29_____	"	6_____
"	30_____		

OF THESE I PREFER I plan to be in Atlanta on most of these dates or could go to the meeting if it is held elsewhere.

Signed: B. R. Brazeal

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OF THESE I PREFER August 26 or 27

I could not come on a Thursday or Friday. Prefer late August or September

Signed: Mantinband
LONGVIEW
TEXAS

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OF THESE I PREFER Sept. 5, 1963

Signed: [illegible]

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OF THESE I PREFER _____

Signed: Irving Carlyle

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OF THESE I PREFER September 5

Signed: James A. Colston

June 25, 1963

Dr. James A. Colston
President
Knoxville College
Knoxville, Tennessee

Dear Dr. Colston:

We have now heard from all members of the Nominating Committee, and we are faced with a little difficulty in reconciling the dates for the meeting. The returns show that everybody can be in attendance on either August 27 or 28. You have, however, indicated that it would not be possible for you to come to Atlanta for a meeting on either of those dates.

Could we pressure you a bit to check your calendar again in the hopes that there may be some slight chance for you to meet with the Committee in Atlanta on either of the above dates. Barring that, and if it makes any difference to you, the Committee could give some consideration to coming to Knoxville on the 27 or 28, if scheduling such a meeting would not conflict with any previous commitment which you may have.

We would appreciate hearing from you on these matters.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs) Mildred M. Johnson
Secretary to the Director

MMJ

June 25, 1963

Mr. Marion A. Wright
Top Knot
Linville Falls, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Wright:

I had been intending to write, and your letter of June 18 prompts me to do so now.

The procedure you suggest is, I think, the correct one. I'll expect, therefore, to receive a letter from you, for submission to the Nominating Committee, reporting the ad hoc committee's recommendation. The Nominating Committee will meet in late August or early September.

There is, however, a partly re-opened question to lay before you. Probably you, Miss Wilkins, and Dr. Wright can settle it through correspondence or telephone (at SRC expense); if you think it requires another meeting, let me know.

Miss Wilkins and I lunched a fortnight or so ago, and she mentioned again her uneasiness at changing leadership at the present, critical time. I confessed to her that I share some of that feeling but am also torn by the opposite belief that organizational policy indicates that a change is due.

Let me, for the benefit of you and Steve (to whom I am sending a copy of this) explain my concern.

Since June 1961, when the Voter Education Project was first broached to us in principle, I have worked closely with and leaned heavily on John Wheeler. The Project will go on now for another 16 months or so, and I need John. Some very crucial questions will have to be decided in the next few weeks and there is every reason to believe that they will not be the last.

How things worked before my day I am not sure. My own practice has been to turn to the Chairman of the Executive Committee, not to the President, for guidance on policy matters when I feel that I need it. This is my practice not only for the Voter Project, but for all matters. Organizationally, this seems to me sound, entirely apart from consideration of who occupies the two offices.

From my conversation with Josephine, there evolved the idea that your ad hoc committee might recommend the election this November of John as President-Elect, to take office as President in 1964, and the re-election for one more year of Mr. Dabbs. This would permit John to be continued as Chairman of the Executive Committee throughout the VEP period.

Although to the best of my knowledge we have never had a President-elect, I see nothing in the By-Laws to prevent it.

As indicated, this suggestion comes from Miss Wilkins. I think it is eminently sound.

All best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director

LWD/mmj
cc: Miss Josephine Wilkins
Dr. Stephen J. Wright

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Linville Falls, N. C.
June 18, 1963

Dr. Leslie R. Dunbar
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Les:

You are aware of the recommendation which Miss Wilkins, Dr. Wright and I will submit to the Nominating Committee in connection with election of a President. Have you any views as to how we should get our recommendation before the Committee.

I have in mind writing you a confidential letter stating the views of the Sub-committee, copy going to Miss Wilkins, Dr. Wright, and requesting that you place our views before the full Nominating Committee. What do you think of that? Have you anything better to suggest?

Jess Brown

Yours sincerely,

M. A. W.

M. A. Wright

MAW:mg

ATLANTA, GEORGIA

Wednesday — the 26th

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Rec'd 6/27/63

Dear Marion:

I do hope you will think favorably of the proposal contained in Les Dunbar's letter of the 25th. This would let us demonstrate our willingness to give honor where honor is due, irrespective of race, as we all long to do. At the same time it would permit us to hold our present machinery during this crisis period ahead. Again, I do so hope you will approve.

True, we have not heretofore had a president-elect, but nothing in the By-laws preclude this, and as you doubtless know many of the major organizations have come to this, finding it eminently desirable.

Warm regards,

Josephine Wilkins

Mr. Marion A. Wright
Top Knot
Linville Falls, North Carolina

ATLANTA, GEORGIA

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Wednesday — the 26th

Rec'd 6/27/63

Dear Dr. Wright:

I do hope you will think favorably of the proposal contained in Les Dunbar's letter to Marion Wright of the 25th. This would let us demonstrate our willingness to give honor where honor is due, irrespective of race, as we all long to do. At the same time it would permit us to hold our present machinery during this crisis period ahead. Again, I do so hope you will approve.

True, we have not heretofore had a president-elect, but nothing in the By-laws preclude this, and as you undoubtedly know many of the larger organizations have come to this, finding it eminently desirable.

Warm regards,

Josephine Wilkins

Dr. Stephen J. Wright
Fisk University
Nashville, Tennessee

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A Council to attain, through research and action, the ideals and practices of equal opportunity for all peoples in the South.

Linville Falls, N.C.
June 26, 1963

Rec'd 6/27/63

Dr. Leslie W. Dunbar
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Les:

I have your letter of June 25th and can fully appreciate the points which you have raised. I do not think, however, that they alter the conclusions reached by the sub-committee at the meeting in Miss Wilkins' apartment.

Mr. Dabbs having indicated his conviction that he should be relieved, the duty was delegated to the sub-committee of suggesting his successor to be named at the next annual meeting. It was not the duty of designating a president-elect to be promoted a year from the coming annual meeting. I would not like to look that far into the future.

Since the by-laws do not provide for the choice of a president-elect, as an old fashioned legalist I would not see any authority for our making that recommendation. Also, I believe it would be unwise to change the by-laws to make such provision since situations can drastically change during the interim.

My feeling is that your reliance upon Mr. Wheeler has been prompted, not so much by his official position, as by personal qualities. If he were president, I think the relationship between you would continue.

My recollection is that during Dr. Clement's tenure as Chairman of the Executive Committee, our directors relied more heavily upon the chairmen than upon the Chairman of the Executive Committee.

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VEP is a project dear to John Wheeler's heart. I am sure that his devotion to it would continue as deep if he were chairman and his services would to the same degree be available to us.

My feeling is that we should adhere to the decision reached at our recent meeting. Copies of this are going to Miss Wilkins and Dr. Wright for their expressions.

Yours sincerely,

M. A. Wright

M. A. Wright

MAW:mg
cc: Dr. Stephen Wright

Miss Josephine Wilkins

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July 10, 1963

Mr. Marion A. Wright
Top Knot
Linville Falls, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Wright:

It occurs to me that you might not know that Les is away on vacation; hence, the reason for not having received a reply to your letter of June 26. He is to return to the office on Monday, at which time I'm sure you will hear from him.

Hope you're having a good summer.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Mildred M. Johnson
Secretary to the Director

MMJ

Linville Falls, N. C.
July 11, 1963

Miss Josephine Wilkins
Atlanta Biltmore Hotel
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Josephine:

One of life's disturbing experiences for me is to disagree even mildly with you.

I do hope that we may go along with the decision which we reached as to the successor to Mr. D bbs. I think that the election of John Wheeler would be immensely reassuring, not merely to our Negro members but to Negro people everywhere. I am sure that if Wheeler were white there would be no question that he should be chosen. I think that the SRC, of all organizations, should be quick to recognize merit without regard to color.

I know that you entertain this sentiment fully as strongly as I do, and I can appreciate the fact that the step would be one of some gravity. We always seem to be in a state of crisis which means that we would never make the change if such a state was a controlling factor in our deliberations.

I am now trying to secure the election of an able Negro to succeed me as Chairman of the Board of Penn Community Services. The opposition which I encounter in that connection is the familiar one that we are in a period of crisis which should preclude change.

We are urging everyone else to be bold and take risks. I do not know how much boldness would be required or how much risk would be involved in our election of John Wheeler. But whatever they may be, I believe now is the time to act.

My high regard for your judgment prompts me to air my views to the extent which I have done in this letter.

With kind regards, I am

Yours sincerely,
M. A. W.
M. A. Wright

cc: Dr. Wright - Les Dunbar

MEMORANDUM July 22, 1963

To: Members of the Nominating Committee

From: (Mrs.) Mildred M. Johnson
Secretary to the Director

Re: DATE OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE

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AUGUST 28th has been chosen as the date of the Nominating Committee. The Meeting will begin at 10:00 a.m., in the SRC offices, and will end by 4:00 p.m. the same day. In due course pertinent materials, which you should have in hand prior to the meeting, will be sent you.

We look forward to having you in our offices on the 28th.

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WOMBLE, CARLYLE, SANDRIDGE & RICE
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LESLIE E. BROWDER
H. GRADY BARNHILL, JR.
W. P. SANDRIDGE, JR.

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July 24, 1963

Rec'd 7/25/63

Mrs. Mildred M. Johnson
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Re: Meeting of Nominating Committee

Dear Mrs. Johnson:

Your memorandum of July 22, regarding the meeting of the Nominating Committee to be held at 10:00 o'clock A. M., on Wednesday, August 28, was received. I have marked my calendar accordingly, and I am planning to be present for the meeting.

Yours very truly,

Irving E. Carlyle

I. E. Carlyle

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July 25, 1963

Mr. A.W.

Dear Marion:

I want to thank you for your recent letter. Know that any disturbance you may have when we lack a meeting of minds is always shared by me. But in this case, there is really no disagreement other than on a matter of procedure.

I agree whole heartedly with you that John Wheeler should be the next president of SRC. This I have felt for somewhile and have discussed it, among others, with Harold when I spent a weekend with him and Jane around the first of the year. His election would undoubtedly be welcomed by all, not because he is a Negro, but because of his stature and his eminent qualifications for the post. And I agree with you that he should be elected at the forthcoming annual meeting.

The only thing we do not see eye to eye on is whether the newly elected president should take office immediately. And let me emphasize that my thoughts on this would apply regardless of who was elected.

I want to give you as best I can my thinking on this. It relates to things that I realize you yourself know and I recount them only by way of calling them to attention.

Over some years now Mr. Dabbs has come to be a widely known symbol of SRC, and it so happens that his particular setting and characteristics make him an ideal type to head an organization such as SRC just now. I doubt that a better one could be imagined. And I do not want us to forfeit this at a time when it is such an asset, and might prove to be a particular one.

Furthermore, in this present critical period, the work-load and responsibility of SRC's office is enormous and mounts daily. I earnestly hope we will not put on these people at this time the added work of having to adjust to

changes in the smoothly running machinery of the organization. True, as you point out, with John Wheeler's moving from the office of Chairman of the Executive Committee to that of the Presidency, his counsel would still be available. But he would be in a new role, and a new person would be introduced into the situation and could not be by-passed. For as you know it is the chairman of the executive committee in any organization to whom the executive of the organization turns in his day to day operations, and the time and energy factor of having a new person in this post would remain. Besides, we really have no one prepared to assume the responsibility of the post.

The policy of electing a president-elect is certainly sound in principle, particularly for an organization with the reach and importance of the Council. It permits both the organization and the newly elected person to prepare for the change-over, and you will note that most of the major organizations have adopted this practice. We have no By-law provision that would prevent our doing so.

With the election of John Wheeler as president, we demonstrate and announce to the world, as we are impatient to do, our attitude toward giving honor where honor is due, irrespective of race. And the fact that he would take office at a later date would in no wise minimize the significance of the election, the custom is entirely too general. At the same time, we would not have indulged ourselves in a demonstration at the expense of other considerations, when now of all times so much is expected and demanded of us.

Surely, you must see the merit of this, Marion. And I feel impelled to say that I trust you do not dishonor me with any such thought as that my concern over this may in some way be motivated by anything so childish as wanting to win a point.

My warm regards and good wishes go to you.

Sincerely,

Josephine Wilkins

cc: Dr. Wright and Dr. Dunbar

Mr. Marion A. Wright
Linville Falls, North Carolina

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ATLANTA, GEORGIA

July 29, 1963

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Mrs. Mildred M. Johnson
Secretary to the Director
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mrs. Johnson:

I plan to attend the meeting of the Nominating Committee in the office of Southern Regional Council on August 28. I will be glad to receive materials about this meeting when they are sent out.

Yours sincerely,

B. R. Brazeal

B. R. Brazeal
Dean

BRB:h

August 5, 1963

NOTE TO MMJ:

Send memo to Board for suggestions for new members to be considered by Nominating Committee in September.

(See: PA's memo of Aug. 1, 1962)

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL
5 Forsyth Street, NW
Atlanta, Georgia

MEMORANDUM August 1, 1962

To: SRC Board Members

From: Paul Anthony

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late August or

The Nominating Committee will meet during early September to determine the Committee's recommendations to be placed before the Members at the Annual Meeting on November ~~[redacted]~~ 25

The By-Laws state that, although Members of a given class (in this instance the Class of ~~1962)~~ 1963 may be re-elected, those chosen must include at least five new Members. An additional five members are to be added to the class. Therefore, at least ten (10) new Members will be elected.

See over

The Committee would like to have your suggestions for new Members. If you will send them to me, I ~~will~~ shall see that they are presented to the Nominating Committee. Please include as much information as possible about the person or persons whom you recommend.

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The members of the Nominating Committee are:

Mr. Irving Carlyle (2)
Dr. Luther H. Foster (4)
Rabbi Charles Mantinband (5)
~~Dr. Raymond Wheeler~~ Dean B. R. Brazeal (1)
~~Mr. Thomas Young~~ Dr. James A Colston (3)

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You will recall that last year a class of Life ~~Fellows~~ Fellows was set up. There is no compulsion nor is it even desirable to feel that we have to elect Fellows each year. However, if you have any suggestions of persons who would appropriately fit into this category, please send in their names for consideration by the Nominating Committee.

In accordance with the By-Laws, from 8-10 new members will need to be elected this year.

See Nom. Ctee 1963

MEMORANDUM August 15, 1963

To: Members of the Nominating Committee

From: Mildred M. Johnson

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Enclosed are items which you may wish to have prior to the meeting on August 28: an analysis of members and a list of the members of the Class of 1963. All of these persons are eligible for re-election, but the By-Laws require that at least five new members be elected.

Please let us know if we can provide a travel advance, make hotel reservations or otherwise be of help.

We look forward to seeing you on the 28th at 10:00 a.m.

Dean B. R. Brazeal
Mr. Irving E. Carlyle
Dr. James A. Colston
Dr. Luther H. Foster
Rabbi Charles Mantinband

AN ANALYSIS OF SRC MEMBERS
1963

TABLE I - By State and Race

State	Total	Negro	White
Alabama	6	3	3
Arkansas	5	2	3
Florida	7	2	5
Georgia	13	6	7
Kentucky	4	1	3
Louisiana	6	2	4
Mississippi	4	1	3
North Carolina	12	3	9
Oklahoma	1	1	0
South Carolina	5	2	3
Texas	7	1	6
Tennessee	8	4	4
Virginia	10	3	7
	88*	31	57

TABLE II - By Profession or Major Interest

√College Presidents, Faculty & Related.....	22
√Bishops & Ministers	14
√Churchwomen	5
√ Businessmen	12
√Attorneys	6
√Publishers & Editors	5
√Agency Officials	4
√Labor Officials	2
√Doctors of Medicine	4
√Authors	3
√Government Officials	3
√ Civic Leaders	8
	88

*Both Dr. H. Councill Trenholm of Alabama and Mr. Charles A. Shaw of Texas died during the year.

CLASS OF 1963

Crawford Brock
Rome, Georgia

W. E. Solomon
Columbia, South Carolina

Mrs. E. M. Sparling
Hot Springs, Arkansas

Charles Steele
Louisville, Kentucky

James E. Stewart
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

James Stokely
Newport, Tennessee

Miss Florence Sytz
New Orleans, Louisiana

Lee B. Thomas, Jr.
Louisville, Kentucky

The Rev. Thomas Thrasher
Chapel Hill, North Carolina

Mrs. J. F. Tillman
Lewisburg, Tennessee

John H. Wheeler
Durham, North Carolina

Raymond Wheeler
Charlotte, North Carolina

Bell I. Wiley
Atlanta, Georgia

Miss Josephine Wilkins
Athens, Georgia

H. Franklin Williams
Coral Gables, Florida

Paul D. Williams
Richmond, Virginia

Marion A. Wright
Linville Falls, North Carolina

Stephen J. Wright
Nashville, Tennessee

Thomas W. Young
Norfolk, Virginia

MEMORANDUM August 22, 1963

To: 1963 Nominating Committee

Dean B. R. Brazeal
Mr. Irving E. Carlyle
Dr. James A. Colston
Dr. Luther H. Foster
Rabbi Charles Mantinband

From: Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director

- 1 -

Mrs. Johnson sent you last week an analysis of the present SRC membership. I hate to burden your mail baskets further, but I believe you would be aided by having, in advance of the meeting on August 28, an outline of the work to be done; on envelopes of SRC + a list of the Class of 1964

(1) Nominations must be made for a president and the four vice-presidents. I believe you will recall that Mr. Dabbs has, for the second year, indicated the belief that he has served as president long enough. You will also recall that the Executive Committee informed last year's Annual Meeting that it had requested three of its members to consider the question and to canvass possibilities for the presidency, and to advise you. This subcommittee consists of Miss Josephine Wilkins, Marion A. Wright, and Dr. Stephen J. Wright. It has met once, and it has corresponded extensively. Its recommendations to you will be in my hands for presentation to you when you meet.

(2) Vice-Presidents now are, in order of seniority in this position, Dr. Albert W. Dent, Marion A. Wright, Miss Josephine Wilkins, and Dr. Rufus E. Clement.

(3) You will need to nominate, or re-nominate, members of the Executive Committee. Present members are: Paul Christopher, John Griffin, Mrs. Grace Hamilton, John Nelson, Dr. Raymond Wheeler, John Wheeler, Dr. Franklin Williams, Dr. Stephen Wright, and Thomas Young. Nelson, Raymond Wheeler, Williams, Stephen Wright, and Young are all relatively new members. Dabbs + Connelleson are rep. new members

(4) You will need to nominate at least ten (10) new members to the Council. One of these should be for the Class of 1966, succeeding Mr. Charles Shaw, who has died, and one should be for the Class of 1965, succeeding the Rev. Kelly Miller Smith, whose resignation has been received just yesterday (Mr. Smith has accepted a Cleveland pulpit). The other eight (8), or more, new members would be for the Class of 1967.

(5) The terms of all members of the Class of 1963 expire, and members must be either re-nominated or retired off. One member of the Class (Dr. Trenholm) has died. Taking this into account, and taking also into account the two vacancies referred to in the paragraph above, there is need to drop only two (2) members of the present Class of 1963, in order to stay within the membership limit of 95. You may, of course, drop more than 2. The staff has compiled a list of suggestions for new members. The list is rather too long to send out, and I shall have copies of it ready when you come in.

(6) And, to add a final touch to an already over-heavy load, you will need to nominate three (3) members for next year's Nominating Committee.

Enclosed are an Analysis of the Members, ~~in that~~ a list of the Class of 1964

October 17, 1963

Mr. Leonard Haas
Haas, Dunaway, Shelfer & Haas
Suite 601, Haas-Howell Building
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Haas:

Thank you for your letter of June 19, 1963 in which you suggested several names of persons for possible membership in the Council. The names you suggested, however, were not nominated this year, but we are filing your letter with the hope that these names can again be brought before the Nominating Committee next year.

We appreciate your taking the time to make these suggestions.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Mildred M. Johnson
Secretary to the Director

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JOHN A. DUNAWAY
WM. S. SHELFER
GEORGE A. HAAS
JAMES B. PILCHER
HUGH F. NEWBERRY

TELEPHONE
JACKSON 1-1151

June 19, 1963

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar,
Executive Director,
Southern Regional Council, Inc.,
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.,
Atlanta 3, Georgia.

My dear Mr. Dunbar:

In answer to the request of the nominating committee for suggestions for nomination of new members, I suggest the following names:

George

(W) Edward S. White, Attorney, 2434 Bank of Georgia Building, Atlanta 3, Georgia

(W) Hamilton Douglas, Attorney, 2434 Bank of Georgia Building, Atlanta 3, Georgia

(W) Edward M. Vinson, C/o J.M.Tull Metal & Supply Co., 285 Marietta St. N.W., Atlanta 13, Georgia

(W) Henry J. Toombs, Architect, 70 Fairlie St. N.W., Atlanta 3, Georgia

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

Leonard Haas

Leonard Haas

LH:LPM

October 17, 1963

Dr. Douglas Jackson
Perkins School of Theology
Southern Methodist University
Dallas 22, Texas

Dear Dr. Jackson:

Thank you for your letter of June 20, 1963 in which you suggested several names of persons for possible membership in the Council. The names you suggested, however, were not nominated this year, but we are filing your letter with the hope that these names can again be brought before the Nominating Committee next year.

We appreciate your taking the times to make these suggestions.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Mildred M. Johnson
Secretary to the Director

MMJ

SOUTHERN METHODIST UNIVERSITY
PERKINS SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY
DALLAS 22, TEXAS

June 20, 1963

Miss Mildred M. Johnson
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Miss Johnson:

Your letter of June 13 requested names for consideration by the Nominating Committee. I would like to suggest the names of Dr. Earl D. C. Brewer, Mr. Joseph E. Wroten, Dr. William Finch, the Rev. C. Ebb Munden, III, and Mr. A. Maceo Smith.

(W) Dr. Brewer is a professor in the school of theology at Emory University. He is widely published in journals in the field and teaches in the area of social change. Any standard biographical dictionary will furnish you a great amount of information concerning him.

(W) Mr. Wroten is a member of the Mississippi State Legislature. He is one of the few liberals serving in that body. He is also a member of the General Board of Christian Social Concerns of The Methodist Church, serving in the Division of Human Relations. He is a member of the law firm of Wroten, Orlanski, and Miller, 338 May Building, Greenville, Mississippi.

(W) Dr. Finch is the Dean of the Divinity School of Vanderbilt University. Formerly he was president of Southwestern University at Georgetown, Texas. He is a member of the General Conference of The Methodist Church. He is a native of Virginia while his wife is a native of Georgia.

(W) Mr. Munden is one of the very brightest young men that I have ever had as a student. Currently he serves a liberal young congregation in metropolitan New Orleans. He has been quite active in work on human relations in that city. His address is 6017 Camphor Street, Metairie, Louisiana.

(N) Mr. A. Maceo Smith is the outstanding Negro leader in Dallas. He is the Negro member of the executive committee of the Committee of Seven, which has been responsible for all of the progress made

in desegregation in Dallas. He is a specialist in political science, although the Hatch Act keeps him from being obviously involved in politics. His address is 2407 Thomas Street, Dallas, Texas.

I am sure that you will have many names suggested to you. I bring these to your attention because I am quite sure that each of them would be able to serve competently as a member of the Board.

Sincerely,

Douglas Jackson

Douglas Jackson
Professor

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POTENTIAL MEMBERS FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE
August 28, 1963

ALABAMA

Mr. A. G. Gaston (N) (Previous SRC Board Member from 1958-1961)	Businessman, Birmingham, Alabama

ARKANSAS

FLORIDA

Dr. W. Hugh McEniry (W)	Dean, Stetson University; past president, Southern Association of Colleges and Schools

GEORGIA

Dr. Lionel Newsom (N)	Professor of Sociology, Morehouse College, Atlanta, Georgia
Mr. Finley Campbell (N)	Instructor, Morehouse College, Atlanta, Ga.
Bishop Albert R. Stuart (W)	Episcopal Bishop of the Georgia Diocese. Has been of tremendous help in Savannah, been cooperative with the Ga. Council throughout the state.
Mrs. Dejongh Franklin (W)	Civic leader. Active with the Ga. Council on Human Relations
Dr. Earl D. C. Brewer (W)	Professor of Theology, Emory University Atlanta, Georgia. Widely published in journals in the field and teaches in the area of social change.
Mr. Edward S. White (W)	Attorney, Atlanta, Georgia
Mr. Hamilton Douglas (W)	Attorney, Atlanta, Georgia
Mr. Edward M. Vinson (W)	Businessman, Atlanta, Georgia
Mr. Henry J. Toombs (W)	Architect, Atlanta, Georgia
Dr. Hugh Brim (W)	Human Relations specialist for the U. S. Army in Atlanta charged with enforcing the equal opportunity provisions of government contracts.

KENTUCKY

Mr. William O. Cowger (W)	Mayor of Louisville; businessman, mortgate broker, Republican, has moved from a somewhat conservative position to leadership of informed liberals.
Mr. Marlin M. Volz (W)	Dean, University of Louisville School of Law; chairman of Louisville Commission on Human Relations.
Mrs. Clarence P. Jackson (N)	Head of Methodist Women of North American Association of ~~MAE~~ AME Zion Church (Sister of President Clement).
Mrs. J. H. Walls (N)	Only Negro member of the State Board of Education, member of housing committee of the Louisville Council on Human Relations.
Mr. W. F. Woolsey (W)	Newspaperman, former chairman of communications committee of Louisville Commission.
Rev. F. G. Sampson (N)	Paster Mt. Lebanon Baptist Church, Vice-President NAACP.
Miss ~~Lo&&&&~~ Louise Tachau (W)	Consultant on Public Relations , Kentucky Department of Mental Health.

LOUISIANA

&~~M&&~~ Rev. C. Ebb Munden, III (W)	Pastors a liberal young congregation in metropolitan New Orleans; has been active in human relations work in that city.

MISSISSIPPI

Mr. Joseph E. Wroten (W)	Member Mississippi State Legislature; member General Board of Christian Social Concerns of The Methodist Church serving in the Human Relations Division.

See list Submitted by Dr. Beittel (attached)

NORTH CAROLINA

Dr. George Tindall (W)	Professor of History, University of North Carolina; Author .

SOUTH CAROLINA

TENNESSEE

Mr. Russell B. Sugarman, Jr. (N)	Attorney, very active in both the political life and in the civil rights movement in the Memphis area.

Tennessee - continued

Dr. William Finch (W)	Dean, Divinity School of Vanderbilt University; formerly president of Southwestern University at Georgetown, Tex.

TEXAS

Mr. A. Maceo Smith (N)	Negro leader in Dallas, Member of the Executive Committee of Seven which has been responsible for all of the progress made in desegregation in Dallas.
Dr. S. M. Nabrit (N)	President, Texas Southern University, Houston, Tex.
Dr. John R. Silber (W)	Chairman, Department of Philosophy, University of Texas.

See attached list from Mrs. Dumbauld

VIRGINIA

NOMINATION FOR "LIFE FELLOW"

Dr. W. D. Weatherford
(Rev. Caxton Doggett of Lakeland Florida days of him: "Mr. Dabbs and Mr. Wright and men of their generation will know Dr. Weatherford as one of the truly great pioneers in the field of race relations inthe South.")

Lwd - personal

NOTES FOR NOMINATING COMMITTEE, AUGUST 28, 1963

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Persons selected by Nominating Committee 1962 who declined:

Paul Johnston	-	Birmingham, Ala.
Hyman Rubin	-	Columbia, S. C.
Martin Ochs	-	Chattanooga, Tenn.
K. B. Piper	-	Chattanooga, Tenn.

ALTERNATES:

Clifford Durr	-	Montgomery, Ala.
Wright Spears	-	Columbia, S. C.
A. J. Wagner	-	Knoxville, Tenn.

Alternates selected by Nominating Committee 1962 who were not approached:

A. P. Tureaud	-	New Orleans, La.
Henry Clay	-	Laurel, Miss.

Suggested names:

Alabama

A. G. Gaston	-	Birmingham (M.L. Harris)
James Head	-	Birmingham (Siceloff)
Charles Morgan	-	Birmingham (Staff)
John Cashin	-	Huntsville (Staff)

Arkansas

J. E. Youngdahl	-	Little Rock (CHR)
Hugh Patterson	-	Little Rock (Staff)

Florida

W. Hugh McEniry	-	Deland (S.J. Wright)
Bishop Henry Louttit		Winter Park (Siceloff)
George Lewis, II	-	Tallahassee (Siceloff)
Rev. Edward Graham		Miami (Doggett, Siceloff)
Ralph Dreger	-	Jacksonville (Davidson)

Georgia

Lionel Newsome	-	Atlanta (Mays, CHR)
Finley Campbell	-	Atlanta (Mays)
Bishop Albert Stuart	-	Savannah (CHR)
Mrs. DeJongh Franklin		Atlanta (CHR)
Earl D. C. Brewer	-	Atlanta (Jackson)
Edward S. White	-	Atlanta (L. Haas)
Hamilton Douglas	-	Atlanta (L. Haas)
Edward M. Vinson	-	Atlanta (L. Haas)
Henry J. Toombs	-	Atlanta (L. Haas)
Sylvan Meyer	-	Gainesville (Davidson)
Cecil Alexander	-	Atlanta (Staff)
Edward Wilson	-	Macon (Staff)
Hugh Brimm	-	Atlanta (Thomas)

Kentucky

W. O. Cowger	-	Louisville (Miss Ruthenburg)
Martin M. Volz	-	Louisville " "
Mrs. Clarence Jackson		Louisville " "
Mrs. J. H. Walls	-	Louisville " "
W. F. Woolsey	-	Louisville " "
Rev. F. G. Sampson	-	Louisville " "
Miss Louise Tashau	-	Louisville " "
C. H. Parrish	-	Louisville (Staff)

Louisiana

Rev. C. Ebb Mundan, III		New Orleans (Jackson
J. D. De Blieux	-	Baton Rouge (Sigur)
Mrs. Mary Sands	-	New Orleans (Staff)

Mississippi

Joseph E. Wroten	-	Greenville (Jackson)
A. B. Britton	-	Jackson (Beittel)
R. L. Ezelle, Jr.	-	Jackson (Beittel)
Rev. Duncan Gray	-	Oxford (Beittel)
Rev. G. R. Haughton		Jackson "
H. Power Hearn, Sr.		Jackson "
D. I. Horn	-	West Point (Beittel)
Rev. R. C. Hunter	-	Bay St. Louis (Beittel)
George E. Powers	-	Gulfport (Beittel)
Mrs. Walter I. Schutt		Jackson "
Rev. Wofford Smith	-	Oxford "
Jack Young	-	Jackson (Staff)

North Carolina

George Tindall	-	Chapel Hill (Dabbs)
Rev. Charles M. Jones		Chapel Hill (Dabbs)
Bishop Richard H. Baker		Greensboro (Carlyle)
Richard Peters	-	Chapel Hill(Staff)
H. Shelton Smith	-	Durham (Carlyle)
Sam Scott	-	Winston-Salem (Christopher)
S. E. Duncan	-	Salisbury (Staff)
Emory Rann	-	Charlotte (Staff)

South Carolina

Alger J. Fowler	-	Columbia (Siceloff)
Matthew Perry	-	Columbia (Staff)

Tennessee

Russell B. Sugarman	-	Memphis (S.J. Wright, Siceloff)
William Finch	-	Nashville (Jackson)
Dial Murphy	-	Knoxville (Christopher)
Miss Margaret Anderson		Clinton (Staff)
Mrs. Lawrence Coe	-	Memphis (Staff)

Texas

A. Maceo Smith	-	Dallas (Jackson)
S. M. Nabrit	-	Houston (Mrs. Rayzor)
John R. Silber	-	Austin (Mrs. Rayzor)
Mrs. E. Pliny Shaw	-	Houston (CHR)
Rev. James R. Noland	-	Houston (CHR, Mrs. Rayzor)
Miss Barbara Jordan	-	Houston (CHR)

Virginia

Rev. Theodore Adams	-	Richmond (Staff)
Thomas Hammond	-	Charlottesville (Staff)

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REPORT
OF THE 1963
NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The Committee met on August 28, 1963 in Atlanta. All members were present. These were: Brailsford R. Brazeal (Atlanta); Irving E. Carlyle (Winston-Salem); James A. Colston (Knoxville); Luther H. Foster (Tuskegee); and Charles Mantinband (Longview, Texas).

Mr. Carlyle was elected chairman.

After due deliberation, the Nominating Committee selected the following slate, and herewith places these names in nomination before the 1963 Annual Meeting:

President

John H. Wheeler, Durham, North Carolina

Vice-Presidents

Albert W. Dent, New Orleans, Louisiana
Marion A. Wright, Linville Falls, North Carolina
Miss Josephine Wilkins, Athens, Georgia
Rufus E. Clement, Atlanta, Georgia

The Executive Committee

Paul R. Christopher, Knoxville, Tennessee
James McBride Dabbs, Mayesville, South Carolina
C. G. Gomillion, Tuskegee, Alabama
John P. Nelson, Jr., New Orleans, Louisiana
Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton, Atlanta, Georgia
H. Franklin Williams, Coral Gables, Florida
Stephen J. Wright, Nashville, Tennessee
Raymond Wheeler, Charlotte, North Carolina
Thomas W. Young, Norfolk, Virginia

The Nominating Committee, 1964

Brailsford R. Brazeal, Atlanta, Georgia

James A. Colston, Knoxville, Tennessee

Charles Mantinband, Longview, Texas

(In accord with the By-Laws, two additional members will be elected by the Executive Committee).

Members

Class of 1966:

(for vacancy created by death of Charles A. Shaw) Samuel Nabrit, Houston, Texas. President Texas Southern University.

Class of 1967:

The following members of the Class of 1963 are nominated for re-election to the Class of 1967:

W. E. Solomon, Columbia, South Carolina

James E. Stewart, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

James Stokely, Newport, Tennessee

Lee B. Thomas, Jr., Louisville, Kentucky

Thomas Thrasher, Chapel Hill, North Carolina

Mrs. J. F. Tillman, Lewisburg, Tennessee

John H. Wheeler, Durham, North Carolina

Raymond Wheeler, Charlotte, North Carolina

Bell I. Wiley, Atlanta, Georgia

Miss Josephine Wilkins, Athens, Georgia

H. Franklin Williams, Coral Gables, Florida

Paul D. Williams, Richmond, Virginia

Marion A. Wright, Linville Falls, North Carolina

Stephen J. Wright, Nashville, Tennessee

Thomas W. Young, Norfolk, Virginia

The following new members are nominated for the Class of 1967:

Mrs. Lawrence Cox, Memphis, Tennessee.

Member, Memphis School Board. Member, Tennessee Council on Human Relations.

Ralph Dregger, Jacksonville, Florida.

Professor of Psychology, University of Jacksonville. President, Florida Council on Human Relations.

Paul Johnston, Birmingham, Alabama

Attorney.

S. E. Duncan, Salisbury, North Carolina.

President, Livingstone College. Member, North Carolina Advisory Committee to the U. S. Commission on Civil Rights. Board, North Carolina Council on Human Relations. Former member, Southern Regional Council.

Sylvan Meyer, Gainesville, Georgia.

Editor, Gainesville Times. Chairman, Georgia Advisory Committee to the U. S. Commission on Civil Rights. Member, Georgia Council on Human Relations.

C. H. Parrish, Louisville, Kentucky.

Professor of Sociology, University of Louisville. Former member and staff, Southern Regional Council. Board, Kentucky Council on Human Relations.

Mrs. Mary Sands, New Orleans, Louisiana.

President, Save-Our-Schools (during its service in the school desegregation crisis).

Mrs. Jane Schutt, Jackson, Mississippi.

Former chairman, Mississippi Advisory Committee to the U. S. Commission on Civil Rights. Board, Mississippi Council on Human Relations.

Jack Young, Jackson, Mississippi.

Attorney.

James Youngdahl, Little Rock, Arkansas.

Attorney. Chairman, Arkansas Advisory Committee to the U. S. Commission on Civil Rights. Member, Arkansas Council on Human Relations.

Since your Committee met, word has been received of the resignation of the Reverend Colbert S. Cartwright of Little Rock. He has moved to Youngstown, Ohio. We have no nomination of a replacement for Mr. Cartwright, who was a member of the Class of 1964; unless members desire to make a nomination from the floor, we recommend that this vacancy be acted on at the next Annual Meeting.

Your Committee wishes, finally, to record two conclusions it reached during its deliberations.

First, in nominating James McBride Dabbs for the Executive Committee it was not only showing its high confidence in this man, but was following what seemed to the Committee to be the wise course of retaining an outgoing President on the Executive Committee for at least one term. We commend this practice to Nominating Committees in the future.

Second, your Committee unanimously agreed that the Executive Committee, when electing its Chairman, should be asked to give consideration to what we regard as a value; viz, a racial balance in the top leadership of the Southern Regional Council. We are aware of the sacred principle of selection on merit alone. We think, however, this organization, whose great principle is racial collaboration, should unite the races in its leadership.

Respectfully submitted,

Brailsford R. Brazeal
James A. Colston
Luther H. Foster
Charles Mantinband
Irving E. Carlyle, Chairman

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Excerpts from Report of the 1963 Nominating Committee

(As directed by the 1962 Annual Meeting, the slate of proposed new members is set forth below for study. The Nominating Committee will, as directed by the 1962 Annual Meeting, present its full report on January 29 and members will vote on it on January 30.)

NEW MEMBERS

Class of 1966:

(for vacancy created by death of Charles A. Shaw) Samuel Nabrit, Houston, Texas. President, Texas Southern University.

Class of 1967:

Mrs. Lawrence Coe, Memphis, Tennessee. Member, Memphis School Board. Member Tennessee Council on Human Relations.

Ralph Dreger, Jacksonville, Florida. Professor of Psychology, University of Jacksonville. President, Florida Council on Human Relations.

Paul Johnston, Birmingham, Alabama. Attorney.

S. E. Duncan, Salisbury, North Carolina. President, Livingstone College. Member, North Carolina Advisory Committee to the U. S. Commission on Civil Rights. Board, North Carolina Council on Human Relations. Former member, Southern Regional Council.

Sylvan Meyer, Gainesville, Georgia. Editor, Gainesville Times. Chairman, Georgia Advisory Committee to the U. S. Commission on Civil Rights. Member, Georgia Council on Human Relations.

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The State

HENRY F. CAUTHEN, Editor | HARRY R. E. HAMPTON, Co-Editor | W. D. WORKMAN, Associate Editor

10-A Columbia, S. C., Saturday, December 14, 1963

For your information.

J.M.Dabbs, Mayesville,S.C.

Southern Regional Council, Inc.

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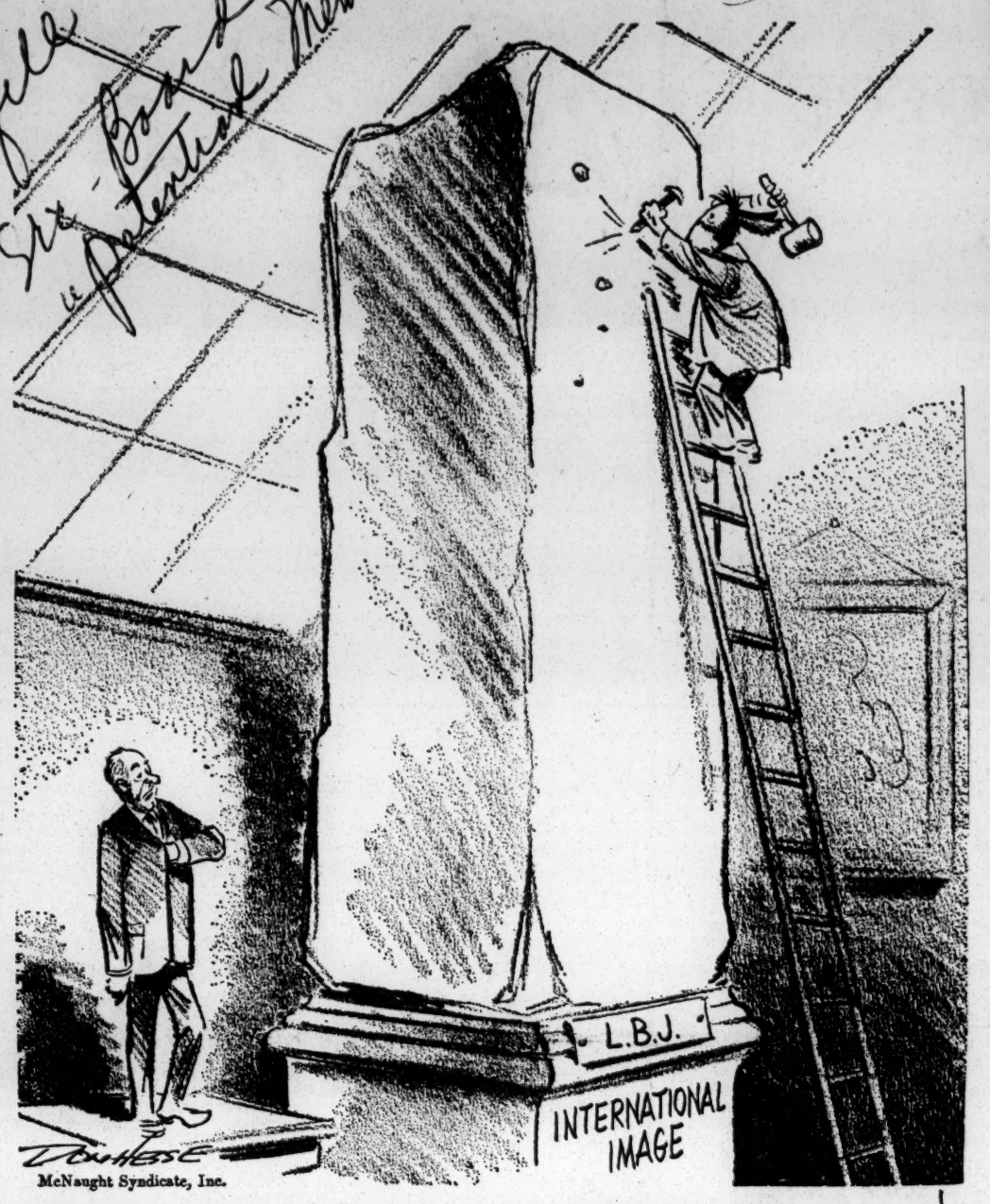

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The Letters to The Editor

Southern Work On Civil Rights

To the Editor of The State:

The Southern origin and advocacy of the civil rights bill now before Congress has consistently been ignored by politicians and news media of the South. To call it the "Kennedy" bill, as has been done since its introduction, is not only misleading but obscures the fact that the late President was acting primarily as the agent of those progressive Southerners who have for many years advocated the very changes this bill seeks to establish.

Shortly after the late President took office in January of 1961, these Southerners submitted to him a 48 - page report entitled "The Federal Executive and Civil Rights," in which they proposed specific action by the Executive department "to strengthen civil rights and to improve race relations." This report stressed the fact that the President holds power under the Constitution and existing statutes "which could carry the country far toward good race relations." It urged that "the existing powers of the office should be used, and every governmental program administered in such ways as to move expeditiously to end discrimination and to open all careers to talent."

Eighteen specific proposals for legislative and executive action were made to the President. These included essentially the seven major proposals that are included in the current bill, even going beyond the bill in several measures.

The Southern Regional Council, the agency which submitted these proposals to the Executive, has always been constituted of enlightened and dedicated southern men and women—people with vision for the best development of the South, persons with a deep concern for just constitutional processes, people possessed of a broad knowledge of existing conditions in all areas of violation and suppression of civil rights. Above all, they were persons with a wise insight into causes and effects that went beyond the philosophy of political expediency and personal advantage that so often lies behind the insistence of maintaining the "status quo."

If the public would only read and study these reports, and various others like them, and if the Southern press would publicize the findings of these committees to the same extent as they publicize all sorts of trivial affairs, there would be little of this senseless opposition, and of flagrant legal manipulation, to prevent any of these essential changes from taking place. The apathy of the public is permitted to go on, aided and abetted by the political spell - binders who find such opposition a sure - fire way to emotionalize campaign speeches and editorials and sermons. The great mass of the people usually do not follow their most enlightened leadership; they are too readily aroused by self - seeking demagogues whose arguments and practices cannot stand the test of unbiased courts and just legal processes.

Much as we hate to admit it, too much of the prevailing leadership in this and most other states must stand indicted of employing, decade after decade, every possible subterfuge of inaction, distortion of legal processes, suppression of civic rights, rejection of wise proposals, and a hateful name-calling policy directed against any person who dares to call attention to the conditions which everyone knows are there.

In the face of this situation, what other recourse is there except for the President and the nation to insist that the law of the land must now be made to apply equally, justly and impartially to all citizens?

DR. WALTER H. BECK
1701 Evans St.,
Newberry.

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Alabama:

Lucius Pitts	President, Miles College, Birmingham, Alabama Former director, Georgia Teachers and Education Association
Nat Welch	Businessman, Auburn, Alabama. Member Board of Alabama Council on Human Relations

Arkansas:

Mrs. Vivien Brewer	President, Women's Emergency Committee for Schools, Little Rock, Arkansas.

Florida:

Mrs. Frances Miles	Ormond Beach, Florida.
Cody Fowler	Tampa
The Rev. Theodore Gibson	Minister, Miami, Florida.
Mrs. Mamie Williams - Miami	
Malcolm Ross - Exec. Dir. FEPC	

Georgia:

Dr. Crawford Brock	M. D., Harbin Clinic, Rome, Ga.

Kentucky:

Rufus Stout	Personnel Manager, Air Reduction Chemical & Carbide Company, Louisville, Kentucky.

Louisiana:

Jack Nelson	Attorney, New Orleans, Louisiana. Vice-Chairman New Orleans Catholic Human Relations Council, National Vice-Chairman National Catholic Conference for Interracial Justice. Attorney for Negro litigants attempting to enter Tulane.
Dr. Felton Clark - Pres. Southern Univ. Baton Rouge	
Lawrence Williams - New Orleans - businessman	

Mississippi:

A.D. Beittel	President Tougaloo Southern Christian College, Tougaloo, Mississippi.

North Carolina:

McNeil Smith	Attorney, Greensboro, North Carolina. Chairman, North Carolina Advisory Committee to the Civil Rights Commission.

South Carolina:

Dr. Thomas C. McFall	M. D., Charleston, South Carolina. Head of McClennan-Banks Memorial Hospital, Vice-President, South Carolina Advisory Committee to the Civil Rights Commission.

South Carolina: (Continued)

Andrew M. Secrest	Cheraw, South Carolina. Editor, Cheraw Chronicle. Member, Board South Carolina Council on Human Relations. Member, South Carolina Advisory Committee to the Civil Rights Commission. Nieman Fellow, 1960
The Rev. M. D. McCollom	Orangeburg, South Carolina. Methodist minister, part-time lecturer, Claflin College. South Carolina representative, Southern Christian Leadership Conference.
Wright Spears	President, Columbia College, Columbia, South Carolina. Chairman, Board of (Methodist) Christian Social Concerns for South Carolina conference. Past president, South Carolina Foundation of Independent Colleges.

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Tennessee:

The Rev. Kelly Smith	Minister, Nashville, Tennessee. Chairman Nashville Christian Leadership Conference. Member of Board, Southern Christian Leadership Conference.
John Popham	Managing Editor, The Chattanooga Times. Former Southern Correspondent, The New York Times.
Hibbard Thatcher	Nashville, Tennessee. Social worker, Family Service Agency.
William H. Nichols	Professor of Economics, Vanderbilt. Author, "Southern Tradition and Regional Progress".

Texas:

The Rev. James R. Noland, Jr.	Houston, Texas. Executive Secretary, Church Welfare Bureau, Council of Churches of Greater Houston.

Virginia:

Lenoir Chambers	Editor, Norfolk Virginian-Pilot.
David Scull	Founder, and President, Turnpike Press, Arlington, Virginia. Member, Board of Directors, Nationwide Insurance Company.

W. L. Shepard - Businessman

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MA:
Please put in folder
for New Members '63 -

Mrs. Margaret Anderson
Clinton, Tennessee

PA

Same ltr. sent to all new SRC Board Members
elected to membership January 30, 1964

February 7, 1964

Mrs. Lawrence Coe
3580 Watauga Avenue
Memphis, Tennessee

Dear Mrs. Coe:

It is with great pleasure that I invite you to membership on the Southern Regional Council, Class of 1967. At a recent meeting, it was unanimously voted that this invitation be extended and I was instructed to do so.

The Council has a membership of ninety-five Southerners drawn from thirteen states, both races, the major religious faiths and denominations, and a wide range of occupations. The full membership meets only once a year to transact the important business of the organization and to formulate its guiding policies. Between Annual Meetings, an Executive Committee, elected by the members, meets four or more times to give the staff policy direction. Reports on program and finances are sent periodically to all members.

Thus, membership on the Council imposes no burdensome or time-consuming duties. But it does provide a meaningful and informed voice in the direction of the Council which we feel is performing a vital service to the growth of democracy and good human relations in the South.

I hope you will share this view of the Council's value and will do us the honor of accepting a position of leadership in it.

I am enclosing several documents which describe briefly the Council's history, aims, and recent activities. If you would like more information on any point, please call on me for it.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director

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February 17, 1964

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar,
Executive Director,
Southern Regional Council,
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.,
Atlanta 3, Georgia.

Dear Leslie:

Thank you for your letter of February 14, 1964, and the invitation to become a member of the Council.

I accept the invitation to membership and look forward to the opportunity of working with all of you.

Best personal regards.

Sincerely,

James E. Youngdahl

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The Daily Times

Press-Radio Center, Telephone 532-6211

Gainesville, Georgia

February 17, 1964

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Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, NW
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Les,

Re your letter of February 11, 1964:

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Cordially,

Sylvan Meyer
Editor

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Leslie W. Dunbar, Esq.
Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Dunbar:

Thanks for your letter of February 11th. I am honored by the invitation to membership on the Southern Regional Council and am happy to accept this invitation.

The Council is doing significant work in one of the blighted areas of the American domestic economy - the most critical, to my way of thinking, next to the elimination of poverty in one-fifth of our population. Unless somehow we Americans can find in our hearts a recognition of the dignity and worth of man and learn to live by faith in the equality of all men under the law and in the administration of justice the future holds out an absolutely terrifying prospect.

With every good wish.

Sincerely yours,

Paul Johnston

PJ/lh

Paul Johnston

Livingstone College

Salisbury, N. C.

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

February 18, 1964

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director
SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Dunbar:

In answer to your letter of February 7, I shall be glad to serve as a member of the Southern Council, Class of 1967.

I have had some connection with the Southern Regional Council in the past and have been most impressed with its program. I shall be glad to do whatever I can to promote it in the future.

Sincerely yours,

S. E. Duncan, President

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February 18, 1964

Dr. Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Les:

Forgive my using this letter to do triple duty, to return Mrs. Johnson's questionnaire, to reply to your letter about my being an SRC member, and to thank you for your mediation of our request to Ralph Bunche.

Yes, I am glad to accept the invitation concerning becoming a member of the Southern Regional Council. I shall appreciate receiving literature describing more thoroughly the history and origins of the Council, and also the present membership. I appreciate the report you made to the Annual Meeting. It appears to me that the Council is very fortunate to have your leadership.

It was good of you to undertake to reach Mr. Bunche on our behalf. We are naturally disappointed that he will be unable to be with us. But we shall continue to try other men of high stature with the hope that one of them will find it a challenge to come to Jacksonville. Lou Mitchell and I had a talk on the situation on Sunday night. He felt the same as I do that the Unitarian-Universalist Service Committee has done a real disservice in setting things up the way they have. We are more than delighted with the services of Ernie Lent--human relations in Florida are far better than they would be if he were not here. But the UUSC had promised support for from two to five years, and to pull out in the way they are doing does make for unnecessary complications. A bit more paying attention to the Bible would not hurt them, heeding Jesus' words about the man who started to build a tower.

Sincerely

Ralph

RMD:s

Ralph Mason Dreger, Ph.D.

Mrs. Lawrence Coe
3580 Watauga Avenue
Memphis, Tennessee 38111 Feb. 18, 1964

Mr. Leslie Dunbar
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth St. N.W.
Atlanta 3, Ga.

Rec'd 2/20

Dear Mr. Dunbar,

I feel very highly honored to be asked to be a member of the Southern Regional Council and am happy to accept your invitation. As a longtime member of the Tennessee Council on Human Relations I feel quite familiar with the Council and its aims. Thank you for the annual report and other materials. I would like to know when the annual meeting is held so that I may make plans to attend.

Pam is back in Philadelphia as the

Acting Indian Secretary for the the American Friends Service Committee, after a very interesting and rewarding two years on the San Carlos Apache Indian Reservation, where we visited her last November.

Thanks for your confidence that I would be reelected to the Memphis School Board. I was - but I had quite a scare. I had quite a respectable segregationist lawyer as opponent and he campaigned hard.

I'm looking forward to working with you and all the others in the Southern Regional Council.

Sincerely,

Frances E. Lee
(Mrs. Lawrence)

Rec'd 2/20/64

1447 Granada Drive
New Orleans, La., 70122

February 19, 1964

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, NW
Atlanta 3, Ga.

Dear Mr. Dunbar:

I am proud and happy to know that I have been elected to membership in the Southern Regional Council. As you know, I have long admired the work of the Council, and I have received substantial help and encouragement from its members and officers. Now I hope I will be able to do a little something to advance its purposes.

Sincerely,

Mary E. Sand

Mary E. Sand

TEXAS SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY
HOUSTON, TEXAS
77004

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

February 19, 1964

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Dunbar:

I am pleased to accept membership on the Southern Regional Council, Class of 1966.

Having at one time served as a consultant to the Council, I am familiar with its activities.

Sincerely,

S. M. Nabrit
President

SMN:tkj

February 25, 1964

Mr. John H. Wheeler
President
Mechanics and Farmers Bank
Durham, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Wheeler:

Enclosed is a draft letter which we'd like to send, over your signature, to new members elected to the Council in January. Would you look it over, make any changes you like, and return to me? When the final letters are written, I'll send them to you for your signature.

Best regards.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Mildred M. Johnson
Secretary to the Director

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Dear_____:

It is with great pleasure that I welcome you to membership in the Southern Regional Council. I trust you will find, as I have, this association to be an enriching and rewarding one.

We shall look forward to having the benefit of your counsel.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely yours,

John H. Wheeler
President

JHW/mmj

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same ltr. tp all new SRC Board Members
elected to membership January 30, 1964

March 5, 1964

Dr. Ralph Mason Dreger
2867 Justina Road
Jacksonville, Florida

Dear Dr. Dreger:

It is with great pleasure that I welcome you to membership in the Southern Regional Council. I trust you will find, as I have, this association to be an enriching and rewarding one.

We shall look forward to having the benefit of your counsel.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely yours,

John H. Wheeler
President

JHW/mmj

March 5, 1964

Mr. Jack Young
The Redmond Building
North Farish Street
Jackson, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Young:

Several weeks ago Mr. Dunbar wrote to you inviting you to membership on the Council. We have not yet had word from you as to whether you will accept the invitation. We are in the process of making up our current Board List. May we, therefore, have a note from you as soon as possible?

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Mildred M. Johnson
Secretary to the Director

MMJ/mg

Same ltr. to
Mrs. Jane Schutt
The Rev. Powers McLeod
Mr. Jack Young

March 5, 1964

Dr. C. H. Parrish
Department of Sociology
University of Louisville
Louisville, Kentucky

Dear C. H.:

Several weeks ago Mr. Dunbar wrote to you inviting you to membership on the Council. We have not yet had word from you as to whether you will accept the invitation. We are in the process of making up our current Board List. May we, therefore, have a note from you as soon as possible?

Sincerely yours,

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Secretary to the Director

MMJ/mg

March 5, 1964

The Rev. Powers McLeod
Box 1290
Auburn, Alabama

Dear Mr. McLeod:

Several weeks ago Mr. Dunbar wrote to you inviting you to membership on the Council. We have not yet had word from you as to whether you will accept the invitation. We are in the process of making up our current Board List. May we, therefore, have a note from you as soon as possible?

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Mildred M. Johnson
Secretary to the Director

MMJ/mg

March 5, 1964

Mrs. Jane Schutt
955 Pecan Boulevard
Jackson, Mississippi

Dear Mrs. Schutt:

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Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Mildred M. Johnson
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March 7, 1964

Mr Leslie W Dunbar
Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N W
Atlanta 3 Georgia

Dear Mr Dunbar:

Please accept my sincere apologies for having delayed answering your letter of February 14, 1964.

I accept, with pleasure, your kind invitation to serve as a member on the Board of the Southern Regional Council.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Yours very truly,

Jack H. Young

Jack H. Young

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GJ Board:
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955 Pecan Boulevard
Jackson, Mississippi
39209

March 8, 1964

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar, Executive Director
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Dunbar:

Your invitation to me to serve as a member of the Southern Regional Council, Class of 1967, I consider a distinct honor, and I accept with pleasure. Having been on the mailing list of the Southern Regional Council these past few years, I have unbounded admiration and appreciation for the contribution made by this body in furthering the cause of justice in our Southland.

I look forward to my association with members of the Council, working with old friends and making new ones. I deeply appreciate being given this opportunity.

Sincerely yours,
Jane Schutt

March 10, 1964

Mrs. Jane Schutt
955 Pecan Boulevard
Jackson, Mississippi

Dear Mrs. Schutt:

It is with great pleasure that I welcome you to membership in the Southern Regional Council. I trust you will find, as I have, this association to be an enriching and rewarding one.

We shall look forward to having the benefit of your counsel.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely yours,

John H. Wheeler
President

JHW/mg

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March 11, 1964

Dr. John A. Griffin
Florida State University
Tallahassee, Florida

Dear John:

One of the unpleasant tasks which falls on me each year is writing such letters as this. I have put this one off because it is unusually distasteful to do, and you were at the Annual Meeting anyhow.

As you learned there, your term on the Executive Committee has come to an end. I am sure this is a relief to you, but it's a sorrow for us.

I sat in on the Nominating Committee meeting, and I can assure you that the Nominating Committee, in proposing Dean Gomillion as a replacement for you, di so with considerable regrets in seeing you go. There has been a feeling within the Nominating Committee in recent years, with which I concur, that there should be slow rotation of people on the Executive Committee. The Nominating Committee 's decision this year was specially motivated by a concern that we ought to have an Alabama representative on the Executive Committee. As there were two Florida people on the Committee, this was where the cut was made.

I personally will miss greatly seeing you, but I know that you will be coming to Atlanta

from time to time anyway, and I hope you will look in on us when you do.

Best wishes, and I am sure that Harold would join in expressing the thanks of harried executive directors for all that you have done.

Sincerely yours,

Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director

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March 12, 1964

The Reverend Powers McLeod
Box 1290
Auburn, Alabama

Dear Mr. McLeod:

It was good to learn, during our telephone conversation today, that you have accepted membership in the Council.

Enclosed are Mr. Dunbar's 1963 Annual Report and our 1963 Audit.

I look forward to meeting you at our meeting this year.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Mildred M. Johnson
Secretary to the Director

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AN ANALYSIS OF SRC MEMBERS

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Mississippi	~~5~~ 4	~~2~~ 1	~~3~~ 4
North Carolina	~~13~~ 12	3	~~10~~ 9
Oklahoma	1	1	0
South Carolina	5	2	3
Texas	~~8~~ 7	3	~~5~~ 4
Tennessee	~~9~~ 8	5	~~4~~ 3
*Virginia negro	7	2	5
TOTALS	~~85~~ 79	~~33~~ 31	52 48

Table II - By Profession or Major Interest

College Presidents, Faculty & Related	23
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VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

of the

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

For the Fiscal Year April 1, 1962 through March 31, 1963

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FORMATION AND PURPOSE OF VEP

During 1961, several leaders from civil rights organizations, foundations and other agencies met at intervals to consider ways and means of increasing the low registration of voters in the South. By late fall the group had learned that two or three foundations were interested in helping with such a project and would make grants to such an effort if the project could be conducted as a charitable and non-partisan activity within the tax exemption provisions of the Internal Revenue Code. The Southern Regional Council, Inc., which was organized under the laws of the State of Georgia in 1944 for the purpose of helping to attain "the ideals and practices of equal opportunity for all peoples" in the South, offered to serve as administrator of the project; SRC was interested not only in registration gains but saw in the project an opportunity to conduct studies and research in patterns of Negro voting in the South. This offer met with the unanimous approval of the representatives of the five participating agencies, namely, Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee, Congress of Racial Equality, National Urban League, Southern Christian Leadership Conference, and the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

It was agreed that the Southern Regional Council would develop the plans and strategy of the project, with representatives of the participating agencies serving in an advisory capacity. Southern Regional Council made application to the Internal Revenue Service in December of 1961 seeking an advance

ruling to the effect that the Voter Education Project operations would not adversely affect SRC's existing exemption from Federal income tax. A favorable ruling was given SRC by the Internal Revenue Service on March 22, 1962, and the project was then prepared to get off of the ground. The first public announcement of the creation of the Voter Education Project was made on March 29, 1963, and joining in the announcement were Roy Wilkins, Executive Secretary of NAACP; Whitney M. Young, Jr., Executive Director of the National Urban League; James Farmer, National Director of CORE: the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., President of SCLC: and Charles McDew, Chairman of the Executive Committee of SNCC. VEP also received public endorsement from the Chairman of both the Republican and Democratic national committees.

The Voter Education Project is primarily a research effort designed to develop educational programs which will be most effective in providing voters with the knowledge and will to register. The field work is done by the participating agencies on a non-partisan basis in accordance with programs and budgets approved by VEP. The programs being conducted by the various agencies are designed to secure voter registration primarily, but in such a way as to gather reports which will be submitted to VEP for analysis and study of the methods, and techniques used by the organizations, the problems encountered, solutions developed and results of the program.

It is contemplated that the Voter Education Project will

run for approximately two and a half years, however, funds have currently been secured only to see the project through the end of the second fiscal year which ends March 31, 1964. It is common knowledge that much greater interest in registration and voting is created in a presidential election year and it would be tragic to halt the project in the Spring of 1964, and thus lose thd support of the impetus and drive for registration which will then be present. VEP intends to publish a report, analysis and evaluation of the programs after the project has been completed.

VEP is currently operating on a budget of approximately $260,000.00 per year and actual expenditures for the first fiscal year, including grants to agencies, amounted to $237,177.02. In addition to the valuable research data gathered from the various programs which describe the activities of the various registration efforts, our participating agencies have accounted for more than 115,000 new registrants during the first fiscal year, have been responsible for keeping more than 15,000 previously registered voters from being purged from the voter lists, and have given valuable political education to many thousands of persons. See Tables I and II for a partial breakdown of these results.

STAFF AND AREA OF OPERATIONS

The Voter Education Project operates from offices at Number 5 Forsyth Street, N. W., Atlanta 3, Georgia, in the

same building as its parent organization, Southern Regional Council, Inc. Because of the location of the office, VEP is able to utilize many of the facilities of the SRC office, including personnel, while at the same time maintaining separate offices and staff on its own. All VEP funds, accounting and billing records are maintained separate and apart from other SRC accounts, however, the secretary-treasurer of SRC also acts as chief fiscal officer for VEP operations. Dr. Leslie W. Dunbar is Executive Director of Southern Regional Council, Inc., and all VEP personnel are considered SRC employees.

VEP is currently run by a staff of only five persons. Wiley A. Branton, an attorney from Pine Bluff, Arkansas, is Project Director. Jack Minnis, a doctoral candidate in Political Science from Tulane University in New Orleans, is Director of Research. Randolph T. Blackwell, a Howard Law School graduate and former teacher of Political Science and Business Law in North Carolina and Alabama, is Field Director. Mrs. Jean Levine is Administrative Secretary and Mrs. Janet Shortt is Office Secretary. This small staff oversees and coordinates the registration programs being operated under VEP sponsorship. There is a serious need for an increased budget not only for grants to participating agencies but to increase the size of the overworked VEP staff.

Because of the fact that the South is the area of lowest registration, all VEP activities are limited to eleven southern states. They are, Texas, Arkansas, Louisiana, Tennessee,

Mississippi, Alabama, Georgia, Florida, South Carolina, North Carolina, and Virginia. Texas operations are limited to East Texas. In addition to the five major participating agencies which helped to form VEP, the project also works with a number of local independent agencies in several states. In Arkansas and Texas there is no registration procedure other than the payment of a poll tax and such "registration" is good for only one year. For this reason, and the further reason of the possibility of the outlawing of the poll tax, we have not conducted much of a program in these two states. The other poll tax states, Mississippi, Alabama, and Virginia, have permanent registration procedures in addition to the requirement of the payment of a poll tax before one can vote. At the time of the writing of this report, 34 of the required 38 state legislatures have adopted the Anti-Poll Tax Amendment which would eliminate the requirement of the payment of such a tax as a prerequisite to vote in any federal election. Only one state (Mississippi), has rejected the amendment, however, the Oklahoma House rejected the proposal after it had been approved by the Oklahoma Senate.

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

The Voter Education Project has received the bulk of its financial support from three foundations and additional funds have come in from unsolicited, but welcomed, donors. The following table shows the sources of project income for

the first fiscal year and the total disbursements for grants to agencies and office overhead:

VEP RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FOR
FISCAL YEAR ENDING 3/31/63

RECEIPTS:		
Taconic Foundation - - - - - - -	$ 125,000.00	
Field Foundation - - - - - - -	75,000.00	
Edgar Stern Family Fund - - - -	62,000.00	
Organizations and Individuals -	2,473.46	
United Church of Christ - - - -	1,000.00	
Amalgamated Clothing Workers- -	200.00	
TOTAL RECEIPTS - - - - - - - -		$ 265,673.46
DISBURSEMENTS:		
Grants to Agencies - - - - - - -	$ 176,027.60	
Office Overhead - - - - - - - -	61,149.42	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS - - - -		$ 237,177.02
BALANCE - - - - -		$ 28,496.44

OPERATIONS

I. Field Conditions

In some areas of the South, opposition by whites to Negro registration is not now a significant barrier, though it is clear that in these areas, the legacy of the past constitutes a formidable problem. In other areas, registration conditions are in a state of flux. In still other areas, there remains determination to prevent the registration of Negroes by any means that seem to offer some prospect of success.

Programs conducted in Florida, coastal Mississippi, Tennessee, Arkansas, North Carolina, Texas, Huntsville, Alabama, and Atlanta, Augusta, and Macon, Georgia, report that official resistance to Negro registration is slight or non-existent. The principal problem remaining, from this point of view, is the limited office hours during which some registrars are available. For example, Huntsville, Alabama, reports that they were able to apply for registration on only two days per month and that this diminished considerably the number of registrants their program produced. Aggravating this problem is the fact that the working hours of prospective registrants frequently conflict with registration office hours. Macon reports that frequently they are unable to get willing applicants to the registrar's office during its weekday 9 to 5 hours. Even where the office is open on Saturday mornings, this does not totally

alleviate the problem, because working people have a great variety of accumulated personal affairs to take care of on the one business day when they are off work.

One of the principal barriers to Negro registration in these areas seems to be more involved with the attitudes of Negroes themselves than with the attitudes of the whites.

Judging by our surveys and reports, it would be a serious error to suppose that the attitudes of Negroes who fail to, or refuse to, participate in registration drives can be adequately characterized as "apathetic". Our experience is that what appears on the surface as apathy is actually a manifestation of one or more of several basic attitudes toward the political process. Some feel that an individual "ought not fool with politics"; others, that politics is "somebody else's business"; others, that politics is "white man's business", and that "it won't do me any good". All these attitudes reflect an abiding distrust of a political system which has offered Negroes only the forecastle of the ship of state, and a deeply rooted conviction that political participation by Negroes cannot be relied upon as a viable means of achieving the Negroes' aspirations. Past and present conditions provide a considerable basis in fact for such feelings, and, therefore, we suspect that registration programs in these areas will have to direct their major efforts toward persuading the Negro masses that

politics now can be a meaningful vehicle for securing their rightful place in the society. If this be true, then leadership on registration programs in these areas will have to consider how they can best communicate persuasively with the Negro masses along these lines. They will have to examine their present techniques and decide whether they are actually getting to the rank and file of the Negro community with the message, and, if they are not, (and the disparity between number of contacts and numbers registered in these areas suggest they are not) why they are not, and what changes need to be made.

In such areas such as Savannah, Georgia and Kingstree, South Carolina, white registration officials offer a sophisticated kind of resistance to Negro registration. Savannah's registration office seems to fluctuate between ill-concealed hostility and grudging acceptance of the Negro as a registrant. As times, the clerks are sharp-tongued, refuse to use courtesy titles, apply difficult-to-prove discriminatory standards in administering literacy tests, and use various delaying tactics to prevent rapid handling of Negro applicants, thus apparently hoping to discourage large numbers who cannot, or will not, stand in the slow-moving lines. A much more serious situation exists in Kingstree, South Carolina, where registration is limited to one day per month. On registration day in March, 138 applicants stood in line from 9 to 5, while only nine were admitted to take the test. In April, 238 again spent the

day standing in line while only eleven were admitted. There is reason to believe that the situations in both Savannah and Kingstree, and many similar areas, will eventually be ameliorated by negotiation, and by the gradual education of the white politicians as the Negro registration slowly increases.

We received quantitative reporting on only two maximum resistance areas during the period of the second series of grants - North and central Louisiana. The reported results speak for themselves. And they assume even larger significance when coupled with the narrative reporting and VEP staff observations in these and other areas. The conclusion is unavoidable that in large areas of the South - those mentioned, along with the Mississippi Delta area, southwest Georgia and the black belt Alabama counties - Negroes are systematically denied the ballot by means both, according to state law, legal and illegal, formal and informal, violent and not so violent.

Mississippi planters rely upon the U. S. Government for financing their farming operations through the crop loan programs. Negroes working on these plantations are threatened with loss of their only means of livelihood if they register to vote. In a number of instances, Negroes have been driven off plantations where they had sharecropped for years after having registered to vote, or having participated openly in registration activity. State and local governments in Louisiana, Mississippi,

Alabama, and Georgia participate to varying extents in many federal spending programs - Area Redevelopment, Manpower Training, matching funds for various community services, and technological and military installations. With the exception of the urban areas in Georgia and a few such in Alabama, Negroes in these states are, either overtly or covertly, denied constitutional rights which have been clearly enunciated by the federal courts.

These and similar considerations apparently led the U. S. Commission on Civil Rights to suggest that federal spending in the South be re-examined. While it would be inappropriate for VEP to comment upon such a proposal, we think it is clear that federal action of some kind is called for. The U. S. Justice Department has shown a willingness to move into some of the worst of the southern counties, to negotiate, and, when that failed, to institute litigation designed to provide sanctions against registrars who discriminate against Negroes. However, it is becoming increasingly clear that federal court litigation alone will not solve the problem so long as segregationist judges preside over such litigation. And this is so, even assuming that the Justice Department were doing everything it could within the limits of its statutory authority, and its available resources, (and we by no means think the facts support any such assumption). White segregationists are in effective control of the southern economy in precisely those areas where

abuses of voting rights are most flagrant. Injunctions restraining registrars from discriminating are not likely to have much effect in areas where Negroes know that to register means to lose even the pittance they earn working for the white man. Furthermore, injunctions themselves will accomplish nothing without the proper enforcement procedure.

Thus, what the registration programs in these areas boil down to is this: Gallant and fantastically committed young men and women live month after month under the constant threat of physical violence from police and thugs alike, while they coach, cajole, entreat, demand, instruct, and encourage the Negro to brave the white man's wrath at the courthouse, in pursuit of his political birthright. And they do this in the full knowledge that the literacy tests, the character tests, the entire registration machinery is specifically designed, not to insure a qualified electorate, but to insure a white electorate. Thus at the very time registration workers are helping Negroes prepare to meet present state registration requirements, they have every reason to expect that if they are successful, the state requirements will promptly be changed and they will have their work to do all over again. (This, in essence, is what happened in Louisiana last year). The patience of a Job would wear thin on such a political treadmill, and there seems little reason to doubt that, without some

assurance of relief from some quarter, the younger participants in the civil rights movement will begin to question the feasibility of voter registration as a means of achieving their objectives in these maximum resistance areas. The Attorney General, in some of his remarks during his recent visit to Atlanta, seemed to sense this. It remains to be seen whether the administration finally will recognize that civil rights is, at bottom, the fundamental domestic issue, linked inseparably as it is with every other issue with which the administration has shown concern.

II. Agencies

Table II indicates that none of the major agencies actually conducted programs in all of the areas for which VEP funds had been allocated to them. In all cases, the conditions of the grants included the stipulation that agencies "conduct a reasonable registration program in each of the assigned areas", though it was left to the discretion of the agency, how much of the grant would be spent within any one of the assigned areas. Since the VEP funds were allocated by state, according to the proportion between unregistered Negroes within the state and unregistered Negroes in the South, it was important that this stipulation be adhered to. The fact that it was not is an indication, perhaps, that such widespread assignments place an undue strain on the facilities of the organizations, and that, in the future, assignments should be considerably narrowed, so

far as some of the major agencies are concerned.

Another of the conditions of the grants was the stipulation that money authorized for one state would not be spent in another without the advance approval in writing of VEP. In the case of some of the agencies, programs were initiated some weeks before proposals were even presented to VEP, and VEP approval for expending funds in those programs was not received until some six or seven weeks after the initiation. Thus, with respect to these programs, the criteria which went into the original allocation of funds by VEP has little bearing on the programs actually conducted. This does not make for viable research planning. This has been brought to the attention of the respective agencies.

Notably absent from the quantatitive listings on Table II are two of the major civil rights organizations, SCLC and SNCC. Too, a number of the independent agency programs did not use the quantitative reporting system. This calls for comment about the relations between VEP and the participating agencies, and about some factors which structure that relationship.

VEP is a research program. Its objective, as stated in the VEP research design, is to "study the effectiveness of organized effort - <u>political</u> activity in the broadest sense - in attacking the cause of low registration in the various sections of the South".

The study of an "organized effort", of course, implies, at least in part, the study of organizations. The major civil rights organizations, NAACP, SNCC, CORE, SCLC and NUL, played a crucial part in bringing together the resources necessary for instituting VEP. Thus, they participated in the initiation of what is in part, a study of their own effectiveness in stimulating a greater degree of political participation among Southern Negroes. However, candor argues here for the acknowledgement that the personnel of these organizations are generally more interested in action than they are in research and self-study, and that their assurances of cooperation with VEP did not imply any commitment to make basic changes in their organizational structures in order to conform to VEP research requirements.

Thus, VEP has been faced from the outset, with the problem of gathering research data through the facilities and with the personnel of action-oriented organizations. Furthermore, the structures of some of the organizations do not readily lend themselves to the quality of reporting which is minimal to the fulfillment of VEP's research objective. Again, some areas in which agencies operate, and some of the conditions under which they operate, determine to a large extent, the kind of record-keeping and reporting which is feasible.

Much of the agency personnel is unskilled and inexperienced

in the techniques of record-keeping and all too often, results are understandably much more important to them than is an analysis of how and why results were obtained, or not obtained. In but one of the major agencies, and only a few of the local agencies, have we seen evidence of procedures designed to check the effectiveness of techniques, to articulate the assumptions upon which is based the conviction that given techniques will be effective, in short, to insure that the same mistake will not be made twice, and that ineffective procedures will not be continued to the accompaniment of teeth-gnashing over the "apathy" of the people. We cannot say that such procedures do not exist in the other agencies, but the fact is that our records show no evidence that they do. And, in the absence of concern about such organizational introspection, it is understandable that the motivation, as well as the skills, for record-keeping and reporting may be lacking.

Organizational structure has been a problem in the case of at least one of the major agencies, in that persons designated to field responsibility either have not kept the office informed of their activities, or the office has failed to relay reports to us. Thus, VEP has frequently been in the position of not knowing what the organization was doing, or planning to do until we read a news release. Furthermore, this lack of communication between VEP and top field personnel of the agency has severely

inhibited our ability to throughly understand the functioning of the organization. Thus, we have little information on just what the national organization does when it "supports" a registration program. We suspect, though this is only speculation, that the position of local leadership in the community, and their desires for community betterment, play every bit as important a role in their civil rights activities as do their connections with the national office. In short, the structure of an organization has a very direct bearing on the meaning of the statement that the organization has registered so and so many persons. Organizations, after all, don't do anything. The persons affiliated with the organizations do the work and achieve the accomplishments and the part played by organizational affiliation in such achievements needs to be thoroughly examined if we are to understand the functioning of the organization as a whole.

Those agencies which have operated in the areas of maximum resistance to Negro political participation have suggested that the statistical forms are inappropriate for reporting the results of their activities. Last fall, for example, we agreed with SNCC that, in lieu of quantitative reports on the prescribed forms, we would accept narrative reports from individual field workers. It was SNCC's argument that the reporting of statistics on the kind of contacts they were able to make in areas

such as southwest Georgia would be misleading, and that the real story could only be told through narration. This was a fortunate research decision. The SNCC reports from southwest Georgia now constitute a voluminous file of data which is of considerable historical importance. Furthermore, SNCC personnel in southwest Georgia have now come to the conclusion, on their own, that conditions have improved to such an extent that statistical records will be a necessary part of their future operations.

SCLC also found that statistical reporting was not feasible because of the nature of the areas in which they were operating, and because of their lack of personnel with the requisite skills. Some internal personnel difficulties left SCLC without a director of voter registration during a crucial period last fall, and so we were unable to arrange for narrative reporting until after the first of the year. We held a conference with SCLC staff in the latter part of February and discussed the rather critical reporting situation. We now have assurances that such reporting deficiencies will not recur.

In contrast to relations with the major civil rights agencies, dealing with local independent agencies has been uniformly successful. We have had no difficulty securing reporting, both as to results and as to methods. Our files on the programs conducted by the local agencies are, for research

purposes, the most complete of any.

There is the likelihood that much of the difficulty we have experienced in relations with the agencies stems from our failure fully to impress upon them the research requirements of VEP. It seems likely that in the coming year, we will find it necessary increasingly to augment agency reporting with VEP staff field observation reporting and analysis.

III. Methods and Objectives

The programs VEP has financed thus far fall, rather clearly, into two types when examined as to the immediate objective emphasized. The first type emphasizes a maximum immediate increase in the number of registered voters. It has usually been conducted in urban areas where resistance is slight or non-existent. Depending upon the state and local qualifications for registration, this type program may offer subsidiary education features designed to provide prospective registrants with the knowledge and skills required to pass registration tests. Too, it frequently begins with a canvass of the area to determine the number and location of unregistered prospects. The canvass is designed to serve the additional purpose of alerting the entire community to the impending campaign. Such a campaign may proceed both by a block-precinct-ward canvassing system, and by mobilizing the community organizations. In some instances, considerable success has been achieved by working through organizations alone.

The methods of communication used in this type program range from the person-to-person contact of the canvass, through the traditional mass media and leaflets, to more unusual techniques designed to capture attention, such as that used in Huntsville, Alabama: A mule was paraded through the streets of the community bearing a sign that read, "I'm not registered because I'm a mule - what's your excuse?"

This type of program is heavily dependent for its effectiveness on unity of purpose among community leadership. Given this unity, and given a relative cordiality on the part of public officials, this kind of program usually succeeds, proportionate to its resources of personnel and finance, in registering significant numbers. However, since such a program depends primarily upon already existing motivations favorable to registration, its persuasive efforts being largely exhortatory, it seldom succeeds in making a lasting impression on those members of the community who lack the educational and experiential background to appreciate the significance of voting in their own personal, private affairs.

The few exceptions to this failure to stir the masses have occurred in those communities where political organizations with sophisticated leadership, considerable experience and well-defined long-term political objectives, are able to communicate effectively with all socio-economic levels. This ability to

communicate with all levels depends to a large extent on the fact that leadership in such organizations can point to specific benefits and concessions which have been wrung from the political system through the very visible use of the vote.

The second type program has been conducted in rural or small town areas where resistance on the part of whites is heavy and where Negroes lack confidence in both the utility and the practicability of political participation. Its immediate emphasis is on stimulating the potential leaders in the community, providing advice and counsel with regard to a wide variety of personal and community problems, bolstering the confidence of the people in their ability to solve many of their problems through the effective use of the ballot, and training them in the skills and techniques of political organization and action. The registration of Negroes is, of course, the ultimate objective of such programs, but experience has shown that an enormous amount of groundwork must be laid in these communities before registration can even be attempted.

The methods of communication in these programs is in marked contrast to those used in the first type. In these programs, a worker will often go into a community where not more than a handful of persons are willing even to be seen with him in public because of the fear of reprisals from the whites. Then he begins the painstaking task of building up the community's confidence,

first in him, and then in themselves. The worker usually finds quarters with someone in the community, and lives with them as he slowly acquires a circle of acquaintances. He puts himself at the service of the community in meeting any problems of any nature that arise. Sometimes this is a process of months, during which the worker is continually harassed by local authorities. Frequently, he has to move from house to house to avoid implicating any one person too deeply. In several instances, workers have had to commute daily into a community at first because no householder could be found who was willing to brave the wrath of local authorities and give him quarters. When sufficient groundwork has been laid, a schedule of meetings is set up and persons are urged to come and discuss community problems. Invariably, the discussion comes around to voting and voter registration, as the community begins to understand that the solution to many of their problems lies in the effective use of the ballot. From a series of such meetings, sometimes held in homes, sometimes in churches or other community facilities, grows a trickle of registration applicants. As the registration begins, the harassment by the whites increases. It is directed not only against the worker, but against all who have any connection with him. Frequently, this harassment will severely set back or stall the progress of the movement and call for infinite patience from the worker as he tries to

cope with the fear of the community and the hostility of the authorities.

This type of program provides a maximum of political education for those who participate in it, for they learn over a period of months, not only the skills necessary for registration, but they become a part of a functioning political movement, each with his responsibility for the effective progress of all.

Needless to say, this type program has not produced a great number of registered voters, but it has brought political awareness, hope, and the real possibility of self-betterment to some of the most socially, economically, and politically deprived communities in the South.

The two types of programs have been briefly described here from a wide variety of reports, interviews, and observations. It should be understood that what we have described are types, not programs. No one program would have all the characteristics we have attributed to the types, and some programs may have other characteristics which we have overlooked or considered unimportant. What we have attempted here is a preliminary analysis of the methods and objectives of the registration programs we have supported and observed.

During the coming year, we hope to see the types of programs tried in the reverse of their typical settings. Thus, we should like to see the results of a type one program conducted in an area of maximum resistance, and a type two program conducted in an urban setting where resistance and hostility of whites are not factors.

Two Selected Projects

VEP has supported more than one hundred projects, each of which was different from all others in at least one particular. A detailed discussion of each of these projects is beyond the scope of a report of this nature, however, it is felt that something more than just a general statement relative to nature and operation is desirable. In this regard, we have selected two projects that we feel were highly successful, though quite different in almost every particular. These projects, known to the VEP staff as the "Huntsville Project" and the "Greenwood Project," are discussed below:

Huntsville Project

The Huntsville Project, restricted to Madison County, Alabama, was conducted by the Madison County Coordinating Committee for Voter Registration. Madison County is located in Northern Alabama, and has a population of 117,348 citizens, 22,065 of whom are Negroes. This is the fastest growing county in the state population-wise, and is among the fastest growing in the nation, due largely to the location of the National Aeronautic Space Administration in this area.

The registration drive that was conducted in this area, with VEP support, between October 15th and January 15th, is regarded by VEP as having been highly successful primarily because of the number of citizens registered in the period of

time stated, as compared with previous attempts at registration campaigns. Prior to October 15, 1962, the total number of Negro citizens registered to vote had never exceeded 1,400; this number having been accumulated over a period of twenty years of political activity. During the ninety day VEP sponsored drive, seven hundred and fifty-two (752) new Negro voters were added to the registration roll.

There is in Madison County little, if any, of the visible opposition to Negro registration which is so much a part of the Southern regions. So it is that much of what we say here about the Huntsville project will also be true of many of our projects in the more liberal areas.

The Huntsville Project was not affiliated with any of the major participating agencies and was conducted by individuals native to the area. It was easy to find individuals to carry on volunteer work in a community where citizens were willing to cooperate with registration workers. There were few, if any, dangers likely to be sustained in this community--physical, economic, or otherwise. The lack of basis for fear relieved the registration committee of the responsibilities of working to build up the kind of confidence, respect and friendship that is necessary in the hard-core areas. The drive was structured and conducted with the acceptance of the idea that the major thing necessary to registering citizens was community awareness and

involvement. Not even persuasion was considered a factor worthy of great concern.

In an effort to make the community aware of the drive, and to involve individuals in the drive, the Working Committee held mass meetings, distributed literature, met and worked with organizations, ran registration contests and gave prizes, used sound trucks, amplified registration music on the streets, canvassed neighborhoods, and used car pools for transportation to the courthouse.

The registration contest as a technique attracted considerable attention and was functional in many ways. In this approach, individuals were encouraged to present themselves for registration at the courthouse. A worker for the Registration Committee would, when the individual completed his application, give the new registrant a ticket perforated in three parts. On one part of this ticket, the individual wrote his name and address and returned it to the worker, thus supplying the committee with a record. Of the other two parts, the new voter kept one part himself, and the other part he could give to one of the 80 local cooperating organizations. The organization reporting the largest number of tickets in the monthly mass meeting was given a prize of $100. In this same mass meeting, the third part of the ticket was taken up and a drawing was conducted. The lucky new voter received a prize of $25. Keen competition soon

developed among the various organizations to get their respective members registered. A large outdoor sign board was maintained bearing the names of every participating local organization. Various colored electric light bulbs were used before each name to indicate the percentage of registration of the membership of each of the organizations. The entire community was so deeply involved in the program that previously reluctant individuals began to feel that they could not afford to ignore the program.

With the exception of salaries paid to a few full time clerical workers, most of the $1,200.00 VEP grant was spent for various publicity activities. Most of the individuals working with the registration program were volunteers who apparently sensed a strong feeling of wanting to do something to help without regard for consideration of pay for time and energy spent.

Greenwood Project

The Greenwood Project is in many ways considered to be one of the most successful of the VEP supported programs. This project is conducted by the Mississippi Council of Federated Organizations, which is composed of individuals affiliated with NAACP, CORE, SNCC, SCLC, and local civic organizations. As a part of the background to this project, it should be noted that registration work was begun in September with a VEP commitment of $14,000 for a seven month period. It was intended at the outset that work would be carried on in Bolivar, Coahoma,

Washington, Leflore, Marshall, and Sunflower counties. Robert Moses, a field secretary for SNCC, was named the director.

The project differed from the Huntsville project in almost every particular, the most noticeable of which is the fact that Greenwood would be classified as being in a hard-core area.

As was expected, maximum resistance to Negro registration was encountered in most of the counties, with slight resistance in only one. Harassment by police and by non-official whites was unrelenting.

As interest in registration began to increase, the distribution of surplus commodities was suspended by Leflore County Welfare officials. COFO workers found a connection between the registration efforts and suspension of food. They sought and secured the cooperation of various persons and groups throughout the country in raising money, food, clothing, and medicine, particularly for the people of Leflore, but for those of the other counties as well. A number of persons were deprived of their customary source of income because of registration activity, and when they found that the COFO workers were in a position to relieve the worst of their distress through distribution of food, clothing, etc., the bonds between the COFO workers and the local citizens were firmly cemented. The importance of COFO being able to supply, in part, the necessities of life to the people who had been recruited into the registration activity,

can hardly be over-emphasized. The aid being given through COFO was worked into the registration framework very effectively and actually became an integral part of the whole program.

By late February of 1963, it became apparent to the VEP staff that all of our Delta registration efforts should be concentrated in one county at a time and Leflore County presented a real challenge for such an effort. This idea was presented to Bob Moses and the other COFO workers. On February 28th, VEP field director Randolph Blackwell went to Mississippi on a routine field trip and visited Greenville and Greenwood while accompanied by Bob Moses and James Travis, the latter being a young SNCC worker. As the three left Greenwood late at night, they headed west on U. S. Highway No. 82 bound for Greenville with Travis at the wheel of the car. A few miles out from town, a car occupied by three white men (who had been seen around the COFO office earlier) suddenly pulled alongside; there was a burst of what seemed like machinegun fire from the other vehicle and young Travis was hit in the neck and shoulder by .45 caliber bullets. The three white men were later apprehended and two were bound over to the Leflore County Grand Jury on a charge of "felonious assault": the third man being turned over to the Juvenile Court as a "minor". The Grand Jury subsequently returned an indictment against the two men charging them with "assault and battery," obviously a much lesser crime than the facts seem

to warrant. Travis is making a good recovery.

The news of this attempted assassination was a matter of national concern in a matter of hours. Within the next twelve hours of the shooting, Wiley A. Branton, Director of the Voter Education Project, had consulted by phone with all of the major participating agencies and suggested a highly concentrated registration campaign in Leflore County. All of the agencies pledged their cooperation and VEP made a public announcement of the stepped up campaign. Telegrams were sent to Attorney General Robert Kennedy and Governor Ross Barnett advising them of the registration effort and seeking protection for those active in such a campaign. Some twenty odd SNCC field workers participating in the COFO project were immediately concentrated in Greenwood, NAACP sent in Amzie Moore and hired five special workers from the Greenwood NAACP youth chapter, CORE sent in David Dennis and SCLC sent in James Bevel and Annell Ponder. All of the agencies awaited instructions from VEP on when to send in additional workers or other help; however, an unexpected swell of local volunteers eliminated any necessity for outside workers to be sent in.

By mid-March, Negro applicants were forming long lines at the registrar's office trying to register. But as interest in registration increased, so also did the acts of violence and intimidation against those active in registration. The COFO

office was burned by unknown parties, other fires of mysterious origin hit the Negro community, homes were fired into and voter registration workers were shot at. When a large group of concerned people, led by James Forman, Executive Director of SNCC, and Bob Moses went to City Hall to ask the Mayor and police officials about protection from such violence, they were turned back with the aid of a "police dog" and the officials refused to talk with them. The leaders of the group informed police that they would proceed to the nearby courthouse to register some of the group. Two of the registration workers were taken into custody then and police arrested eight others after the group had returned to the church where they had been meeting. With all of the leaders of the registration movement in jail, the local Negro citizens felt that they should walk to the courthouse to register and in protest of the action of Greenwood officials. Special deputies and police from nearby towns were called in, the local civil defense units (all white) were put on "active duty" and the town took on the air of a major disaster area. As fast as groups of more than four or five Negroes would form, regardless of their purpose, police would order them to disperse and arrested them when they failed to do so. At the same time, whites were permitted to roam the streets in large numbers at will. A decision was made to stop the walking effort and to send applicants down in cars. The registrar's office closes down for

lunch around 11:30 a.m. and does not re-open until after 1:00 p. m. When the office closed for lunch one day there were far more Negroes waiting to be registered than they had cars to take them all back to their church during the lunch period. The older ones were placed in the few available cars and the remainder of the group started walking in pairs, led by the Rev. Donald L. Tucker, a young pastor of an African Methodist Episcopal Church. A police car pulled up suddenly, four officers jumped out with a police dog, and without further warning the dog was permitted to attack and bite the young minister. This act aroused all of the Negro community and awakened the local Negro ministry to their responsibilities. Where previously it had been difficult to get a church to hold a mass meeting, most of the Negro churches opened their doors for nightly mass meetings which brought packed houses. Several prominent people went to Greenwood and made speeches and every day saw more and more Negroes going to the courthouse to register.

Record keeping suffered greatly during those tension filled days and it is next to impossible to get information from the local registrar. However, we have actual names of 513 persons who applied for registration in Greenwood between February 26th and April 30th and the actual number would seem even higher. We have no way of determining at this date just how many of these applications were approved. Under Mississippi law, every voter

applicant must have his name and address run in the local paper for two weeks before he can complete his application. Considering the known risks of economic and physical intimidation which one must encounter for attempting to register, VEP regards the Greenwood project as a major break-through against fear.

The people of Greenwood have high admiration for most of the registration workers, the majority of whom are members of the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee field staff. This project testifies more profoundly than any other to what can be accomplished when registration workers have the abilities, and take the time that is necessary to build strong personal relationships, undergirded with the development of basic political understandings.

FORMULA AND CRITERIA FOR GRANTS

It was April of 1962 before VEP had any funds with which to operate and by this time the deadline for registration for participation in summer and fall elections for that year had already passed in some states and was rapidly approaching in others. With agencies eager to start registration programs and no full time staff other than the director, VEP was forced to make decisions quickly if any work in actual registration was to be accomplished in time for 1962 elections. Accordingly, VEP thought that it should confine its activities to the eight states where registration was possible (See Table I for results). The initial programs were used as experiments upon which could be based principles of area selection, fund allocation and registration methods for the long term programs to follow. A total of $64,240.00 was spent on these "90-day crash programs" in getting VEP started and resulted in more than 30,000 new registrations. These programs were conducted between May 1 and July 31, 1962.

With the exception of Arkansas and Texas (See Page 4), VEP feels that it is obligated to carry on a basic program in each of the other nine states where we are operating. Accordingly, we have adopted a formula of allocating funds for basic grants for use in each of the states on the basis of the proportion of the South's un-registered Negroes in each state to the total amount available for basic grants during

the program period. In addition to the "basic grant fund," we maintain a "reserve fund" and whenever we have a program which in the opinion of VEP justifies a grant in excess of the "basic" grant, then additional money is made available from the "reserve fund." Justification for such an increase above the basic grant has resulted in instances where it is possible to get high numerical registration with minimum effort, (e.g., Atlanta, Memphis and Miami), and also in instances where resistance to registration efforts causes added expenditures and bring minimum registration results (e.g., Mississippi Delta, Southwest Georgia).

Once the basic allocations have been determined for each state, VEP then determines the localities within the state where programs should be conducted. The funds are then allocated to the localities within the state in proportion to the unregistreed Negroes in each selected locality. These decisions are made on the basis of proposals from participating agencies, field studies by VEP staff and inquiries from interested parties. We select a cross-section of various kinds of areas in which to support registration programs in order that we can get the very best research data possible regarding methods and techniques being used, results obtained, etc. We also make an effort to assign each of the major agencies to different kinds of registration problem areas (i.e., high resistance areas and low resistance areas, big city and rural). Because of the fact that the National Urban League only works

where it has a local league desirous of participating in voter registration, and all Urban Leagues are in fairly large cities, NUL will be working exclusively in only large cities. On the other hand, while VEP has no desire to assign the Student Non-violent Coordinating Committee exclusively to rural or high resistance areas, SNCC seems quite eager to work in such areas almost exclusively.

While the major portion of all money is made available to the five major participating agencies (i. e. SNCC, NUL, CORE, SCLC and NAACP), many grants are made to local independent agencies which have a long history of registration interest (e.g. Atlanta All Citizens Registration Committee, Durham Council on Negro Affairs), and to some which have been organized with VEP assistance (Miss. COFO). In New Orleans, VEP has been instrumental in getting additional financial help for a local registration program from AFL-CIO COPE under a cooperative arrangement between VEP, COPE and the Coordinating Council of Greater New Orleans.

CONCLUSION

As the Voter Education Project moves into its second fiscal year, it becomes increasingly clear that financial support to the well organized effort can result in substantial registration increases. VEP is now in a position to guide and direct a rather large registration effort, but limited finances will not enable us to do much more than continue for the most part, the same programs as those started during the first fiscal year. VEP has received grants from the Stern, Taconic and Field foundations for the second fiscal year in the same amounts as that given for the first year. (See page 4). No other grants have been promised from any other source. The present VEP staff is too small to cover all of the projects in such wide geographic areas, and there is a critical need for additional field personnel to work with and report on the various projects. But with present finances, it seems foolish to spend much more money for staff unless increased funds can be obtained for grants to participating agencies. If a sufficient number of field directors could be stationed throughout the South, and increased funds were made available for grants, then the time spent in traveling hundreds of miles from one project to another by a limited staff could be spent in checking on nearby projects with considerable savings in travel expenses. And it should all result in more efficient programs and better

statistical reporting.

VEP would like to really concentrate on mass registration in a selected state, or some selected congressional districts or cities where resistance is not strong, and the staff has developed ideas and plans for such programs, but very little can be done with them above a city level without additional grants. There are several "Huntsville's" where $1,500 in the town could double the Negro registration. Our first VEP grant went to a local group in Atlanta and resulted in more than 5,000 new voters. Many of these probably helped to elect Senator Leroy Johnson as the first Negro in the Georgia Assembly in over fifty years, or they might well have been responsible for the defeat of Congressman Davis of Georgia's Fifth Congressional District. Our program in Birmingham resulted in more than 2,000 new voters, and it is significant that "Bull" Conner attributes his defeat in his bid for mayor to the Negro vote. If these were, in part, the results of programs carried out with VEP, they are not our concern. We wish to make it clear that our project is strictly non-partisan and that we forbid participating agencies from using the project in any way to support or oppose any particular candidate or political issue. But realism as well as research both suggest that an increased and more informed electorate cannot be expected to support certain office holders or candidates if given any other choice.

TABLE I

SCHEDULE OF INITIAL VEP GRANTS FOR PROGRAMS BETWEEN MAY 1 AND JULY 31, 1962

	Grant	Registered
All Citizens Registration Committee Atlanta, Ga.	$ 3,600	5,015
Durham Committee on Negro Affairs Durham, N. C.	2,500	3,700
Congress of Racial Equality Baton Rouge, La. Jackson, Miss. 6th Congressional District, Clarendon, Sumter and York Counties, S. C.	8,625	1,557
Southern Christian Leadership Conference Waycross, Liberty County, Macon, Washington County, Ga. Shreveport, La. Chowan County, Elizabeth City, N. C. Charleston, S. C. Knoxville, Chattanooga, Tenn. 4th Congressional District, Va.	11,500	6,410
Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee Jackson, Marshall County, 3rd and 4th Congressional Districts, Hattiesburg, Miss. Orangeburg County, S. C.	6,375	41
National Association for the Advancement of Colored People Shreveport, Baton Rouge, Lake Charles, Monroe, La. Jackson, Miss. High Point, Fayetteville, Charlotte, Rocky Mount, Wilmington, Edenton, N.C. Beaufort, Columbia, Greenville, Charleston, S. C. Memphis, Knoxville, Chattanooga, Clarkesville, Fayette County, Haywood County, Tenn.	17,250	7,436
National Urban League Winston-Salem, N. C. Richmond, Va.	5,750	*

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Table I (continued)

Davidson County Independent Political Council Davidson County and 3 contiguous counties, Tenn.	$ 3,000	*
National Student Association Raleigh, N. C.	1,140	1,641
American Friends Service Committee Jackson, Tenn.	2,000	*
Federated Organization for the Cause of Unlimited Self-Development Baton Rouge, La.	1,000	297
Alabama State Coordinating Association for Registration and Voting	1,500	1,742
Total:	$64,240	27,839

*See Table II

TABLE II

SCHEDULE OF VEP SECOND SERIES GRANTS FOR PROGRAMS
BETWEEN AUGUST 1, 1962 AND MARCH 31, 1963
WITH AMOUNTS OF GRANTS AND RESULTS

AGENCY	STATE AND AMOUNT	COUNTY	PERIOD OF** PROGRAM	NUMBER REG'D	TOTAL AMOUNT OF GRANT
CONGRESS OF RACIAL EQUALITY (CORE)	Florida ($2,800)	Dade	9/16/62-2/11/63	3,078	$13,800.00
	Louisiana ($4,500)	Pointe Coupe	1/10/63-3/31/63	92	
		St. Helena	9/01/62-3/31/63	131	
		Iberville	11/01/62-3/31/63	126	
		W. Feliciana	12/26/62-2/28/63	0	
		E. Feliciana	12/09/62-2/24/63	0	
		E. Baton Rouge	8/01/62-9/30/62	65	
		Tangipahoa	3/01/63-3/31/63	5	
		Washington	----		
		W. Baton Rouge	----		
	S. Carolina ($6,500)	Marlboro	8/01/62-2/28/63	12	
		Georgetown	11/01/62-3/31/62	30	
		Lee	11/01/62-3/31/63	62	
		Florence	10/15/62-3/31/63	433	
		Dillon	1/1/63-3/31/63	18	
		Sumter	9/01/62-9/28/63	73	
		York	10/01/62-3/31/63	467	
		Horry	12/01/62-3/31/63	67	

TABLE II (Cont.)

AGENCY	STATE AND AMOUNT	COUNTY	PERIOD OF** PROGRAM	NUMBER REG'D	TOTAL AMOUNT OF GRANT
	S. C. (cont.)	Williamsburg	11/01/62-4/01/63	148	
		Darlington	9/01/62-4/01/63	510	
		Spartanburg	3/01/63-3/31/63	47	
		Fairfield	3/01/63-3/31/63	6	
		Marion	3/01/63-3/31/63	18	
		Clarendon	----		
		Hinds	8/01/62-8/20/62	8	
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE (NAACP)	Florida ($6,000)	Duval	----		$22,000
		Escambia	11/25/62-1/09/63	126	
		Bay	----		
		Alachua	1/28/63-2/16/63	1,076	
		Broward	----		
		Columbia	----		
		Dade	----		
		Hillsborough	----		
		Leon	----		
		Orange	1/21/63-2/11/63	1,450	
		Polk	2/11/63-2/22/63	442	
		Pinellas	11/11/62-11/20/62	169	
		Volusia	2/08/63-2/15/63	660	
	Georgia	Richmond	----	1,947	
	N. Carolina ($4,000)	Mecklenburg	----		

TABLE II (Cont.)

AGENCY	STATE AND AMOUNT	COUNTY	PERIOD OF** PROGRAM	NUMBER REG'D	TOTAL AMOUNT OF GRANT
NAACP (cont.)	N.Carolina (Cont.)	Edgecome & Nash			
		New Hanover			
	S. Carolina ($1,000)	Richland	----		
	Tennessee ($5,000)	Shelby	3/25/63-3/29/63	1,472	
		Fayette	12/10/62-12/18/62	8	
		Montgomery	2/10/63-3/30/63	158	
		Lauderdale	----		
		Tipton	N/A	25	
		Knox	3/16/63-3/30/63	795	
		Bolivar	12/31/62-1/19/63	27	
		Hardemon	1/07/63-1/14/63	14	
		Haywood	12/01/62-1/19/63	92	
	Mississippi	Jackson	12/03/62-1/26/63	41	
		Harrison	12/01/62-2/02/63	180	
		Hinds	1/10/63-2/01/63	112	
		Jones	1/10/63-2/1/63	157	
	Louisiana (3,000)	Lincoln	1/29/63-2/19/63	16	
		E. Carroll	1/18/63-2/19/63	40	
		Madison	1/02/63-2/19/63	115	
		Ouachita	1/02/63-2/19/63	34	

TABLE II (Cont.)

AGENCY	STATE AND AMOUNT	COUNTY	PERIOD OF** PROGRAM	NUMBER REG'D	TOTAL AMOUNT OF GRANT
NAACP (Cont.)	Louisiana (Cont.)	Morehouse	1/21/63-2/19/63	10	
		Tensas	----		
		Richland	1/30/63-2/19/63	10	
		Bienville	2/05/63-2/19/63	8	
		Jackson	1/24/63-2/19/63	16	
		Gregg	12/01/62-1/31/63	1,845	
		Harrison	12/01/62-1/31/63	1,702	
	Texas	Bowie	12/17/62-1/31/63	2,531	
		Smith	12/11/62-1/31/63	8,680	
	Virginia	Fredericksburg (city)	----		
		Lynchburg (city)	----		
		Roanoke (city)	----		
		Portsmouth(City)	----		
		Buckingham	----		
		Cumberland	----		
		Greensville	----		
		Isle of Wight	----		
		Surry	----		
		Sussex	----		
		Nansemond	----		
		Prince Edward	----		
		Suffolk (city)	----		

TABLE II (Cont.)

AGENCY	STATE AND AMOUNT	COUNTY	PERIOD OF** PROGRAM	NUMBER REG'D	TOTAL AMOUNT OF GRANT
NATIONAL URBAN LEAGUE	Texas (4,382)	Tarrant	10/01/62-1/31/63	5,832	
	N. Carolina	Forsyth	6/18/62-8/31/62	147	
	Virginia	Richmond (city)	----	N/A	$1,000*
SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC)	Louisiana ($3,400)	Caddo Clairborne Desoto Bienville Webster			$15,700
	Alabama ($2,000)	Etowah Calhoun Montgomery			
	Florida ($600)	Leon			
	Tennessee ($700)	Hamilton			
	N. Carolina ($2,000)	Chowan Pasquotank Northampton Bertie Hertford			
	Virginia	Amelia Appomattox Brunswick Dinwiddie			

TABLE II (Cont.)

AGENCY	STATE AND AMOUNT	COUNTY	PERIOD OF** PROGRAM	NUMBER REG'D	TOTAL AMOUNT OF GRANT
SCLC (cont.)	Virginia (cont.)	Lunenburg			
		Mecklenburg			
		Nottoway			
		Powhatan			
		Prince George			
		Southampton			
		Petersburg (city)			
		Hopewell (city)			
	Georgia ($4,000.00)	Mitchell	N/A	200	
		Sumter	N/A	0	
		Spaulding	N/A	90	
		DeKalb	N/A	0	
		Rockdale	N/A	15	
		Telfair	N/A	15	
		Hall	N/A	150	
		Greene	N/A	200	
		Morgan	N/A	40	
		Wilkes	N/A	40	
		Muscogee	N/A	950	
		Ware	N/A	200	
		Floyd	N/A	85	
STUDENT NON-VIOLENT COORDINATING COMMITTEE	Alabama ($1,500.00)	Dallas			$8,254.00
	Georgia ($6,054.00)	Baker			
		Calhoun			
		Early			
		Lee			
		Marion			
		Peach			
		Randolph			

TABLE II (Cont.)

AGENCY	STATE AND AMOUNT	COUNTY	PERIOD OF** PROGRAM	NUMBER REG'D	TOTAL AMOUNT OF GRANTS
STUDENT NON-VIOLENT COORDINATING COMMITTEE (Continued)		Terrell Worth			
	S. Carolina ($ 700.00)	Orangeburg			
JEFFERSON COUNTY VOTER REGISTRATION CAMPAIGN	Alabama	Jefferson	10-01-62 3-31-63	957***	$ 9,000.00
MADISON COUNTY COORDINATING COMMITTEE	Alabama	Madison	9-15-62 1-31-63	752	$ 1,200.00
COUNCIL OF FEDERATED ORGANIZATIONS (COFO)	Mississippi	Bolivar Coahoma Leflore Marshall Sunflower Washington			$ 23,000.00
SOUTHEASTERN GEORGIA CRUSADE FOR VOTERS	Georgia	Chatham	12-10-62 3-1-63	2,800	$ 4,000.00
		Liberty Screven Tatnall	1-28-63 3-14-63	123	
		Bullock Emanuel Bryan			

TABLE II (Cont.)

AGENCY	STATE AND AMOUNT	COUNTY	PERIOD OF** PROGRAM	NUMBER REG'D	TOTAL AMOUNT OF
WARREN COUNTY CITIZENS IMPROVEMENT LEAGUE	Mississippi	Warren			$ 150.00
WOMAN POWER UNLIMITED	Mississippi	Hinds			$1,000.00
ALL CITIZENS REGISTRATION COMMITTEE	Georgia	Fulton			$1,840.00
ALL CITIZENS REGISTRATION COMMITTEE OF NO. VIRGINIA	Virginia	Arlington Fairfax Loudoun Prince William Warren Clark Fauquier Alexandria (city) Falls Church (city)			$ 200.00
BIBB COUNTY COORDINATING COMMITTEE	Georgia	Bibb	3-20-63 3-31-63	99	$ 750.00
GREATER LITTLE ROCK VOTER REGISTRATION MOVEMENT	Arkansas	Pulaski	9-03-62 10-01-62	3,742	$1,511.60
AMERICAN FRIENDS SERVICE COMMITTEE	Tennessee	Jackson	6-15-62	969	
MIDDLE TENNESSEE VOTER REGISTRATION PROJECT	Tennessee	Davidson and adjacent counties	5-01-62 3-31-63	3,407	

TABLE II (Cont.)

AGENCY	STATE AND AMOUNT	COUNTY	PERIOD OF** PROGRAM	NUMBER REG'D	TOTAL AMOUNT OF GRANTS
DOUGHERTY CITY VOTER EDUCATION LEAGUE	Georgia	Dougherty	8-20-62 10-02-62	1,000	$ 4,000.00
TOTALS				51,142	$111,787.60

*This was a supplement to the $5,750 crash program grant for Richmond.

**These dates reflect the first and last reports from each area. They do not necessarily indicate that a program was conducted continuously. Several of the programs ran through the end of the first fiscal year, and into the second. In these cases the last date does not indicate termination of the program.

***Courthouse authorities prohibited enumeration of registrants after December 12. We estimate that more than 2,000 had registered by March 31.

January 9, 1962

The Rev. Hubert Beckwith
Congregational Christian Church
of Fairfax County
P. O. Box 186
Annandale, Virginia

Dear Beck:

Many thanks for your letter of December 18. I am very grateful for your comments about the Annual Meeting and the present direction of the Council. We have no objection at all to hearing "Beckwith at his old theme again". I very sincerely want Council members to disbelieve in staff omisdence and to strive hard for their own ideas.

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As to the state councils, I have some feeling that sceptisism in the field is yielding to an awareness that Dunbar believes in their objective very deeply. You are quite right in pointing out that the oouncils need from us more than financial support. The chief practical problem is that at the present, as in the past, we have only a two person staff working with them, viz., Paul Rilling and Marge Manderson, the administrative secretary. I believe it is possible, through some reshuffling of staff assignments which we have in contemplation, to give Paul a bit more help from others on our present staff; this will be, however, nominal aid. Until the budget allows the addition of another field person all we can do in the way of greater partnership with the state councils will not be much.

We have, however, accomplished something in the way of increased financial support available to some of the councils. Recently we have successfully supported the application of the Georgia and Tennessee Councils for independent aid from one of the foundations. We note this with somewhat mixed feelings because, although these two councils have high priority in

our estimation, we had especially wanted to see supplemental aid go to the Virginia Council; I tell you this, as a Board member, in confidence. We are actively and hopefully trying to develop foundation interest in direct support of the Virginia Council.

Selection of members of the Executive Committee is a complex business and for all practical purposes is done by the Nominating Committee. Personally, I think there is merit in your suggestion that persons active in state council work be on the Executive Committee. On the other hand I do not like to see the Executive Committee chosen on any basis which would imply that various members represent various interests. On one point, namely, religious representation, we are already in something of a bind because of the old practice that each principal faith have a representative member. I would not like to see this premise extended into any other field.

It is a fact that several of the present members of the Executive Committee do have a strong interest in the state councils and are active participants. This would include, among others, Mr. Dabbs and Mr. Wheeler.

Best regard. Let me hear from you frequently.

Sincerely yours,

Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director

LWD;mbb

The Congregational Christian Church
of Fairfax County

P.O. Box 288, Annandale, Virginia

Minister: Hubert S. Beckwith

On Little River Turnpike (Rt. 236) 2 1/4 Miles West of Annandale

Study: CR. 3-5670 Parsonage: CR. 3-1882

TA-please write & return

December 18, 1961

Mr. Leslie Dunbar
Southern Regional Council
Room 201, 5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Leslie:

Although I am fairly late in registering these impressions, I want to write to let you know my enthusiasm for this year's annual meeting is still at a high peak. First of all, there is the very high respect which I have for the leadership which you are giving us in the Southern Regional Council. Your outline of our areas of concern in the deep South and rural South etc. show that we are not satisfied with the "image" that we now have and the fine leadership and service which has been given.

Secondly, the format of the annual meeting itself brought so much to us who came together. I am not one who finds business "boring". I am interested in the functionings of the organization and therefore have appreciated the meetings of previous years. But to add to this the opportunities for panel presentations, and most especially, the Thursday morning general discussion, made use of the talents and insights of those who had come from all parts of the South, enriched the understanding of all of us, and picked up our enthusiasm once more to get back and get to work. I trust that the contributions of the morning discussion were helpful to the director and staff as well.

May I make a certain observation which is related to the theme in which I have great interest - that of the relation of the SRC to the individual State Councils. We are greatly appreciative of the work which SRC does, especially through Paul Rilling. Virginia particularly is grateful for the increased opportunity for support from the SRC as the plan was made this year, and we will certainly do our best to live up to the expectations made of us.

At the risk of it being said, "There goes Beckwith at his old theme again", I will say at this year's annual meeting I did not feel quite so much the "voice in the wilderness" and was interested to hear not criticisms, but requests for help and guidance and more of a sense of oneness with the State Councils with the SRC. Your fifth point was concerning SRC's responsibility in supporting the work of the states, but from Rabbi Mantiband, from the gentleman from Daytona Beach, and from others, I felt a desire of something new from the SRC in this relation. It is not just a matter of financial support, although I still believe there would be an advantage in a great increase in this field. Perhaps it is more of the kind of working relationship that can be had. There is absolutely no question of SRC's support and backing of the council work. You are always there to help when needed. It may be that it's more of a partnership kind of relationship we need to develop. SRC should not minimize one bit its research and information functions, but perhaps there could be a growth in the actual "field operation" aspect of the work.

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I realize these are rather fundamental questions and cannot be dealt with in one letter. One specific reccomendation, however, that might work toward these ends would be as follows. I am not fully acquainted with the whole membership of the Executive Committee of SRC, but it is my impression that it does not contain any who are the active leaders in any of the State Councils. I am sure most of them participate in state work, but I am referring here to those who have been "on the firing line" in the actual organizational structure, official or executive committee leadership. It seems that a couple of representatives of this aspect of the State Council work would help to interpret to the rest this phase of the program, to help interpret to SRC the actual problems faced structurally, financially, program wise, etc.

Sorry to make this letter so long and to have it in so late, but I wanted to respond to your request for our impressions and suggestions. I have more enthusiasm for SRC now than ever before.

Very sincerely yours,

"Beck"

Hubert S. Beckwith

c.c.: Mr. Paul Rilling

Dr. James M. Dabbs

File Branton

WILEY A. BRANTON
ATTORNEY AT LAW
119 EAST BARRAQUE STREET
PINE BLUFF, ARKANSAS

JE 5-2197

January 19, 1962

Mr. James M. Dabbs, President
Southern Regional Council
Rip Raps Plantation
Mayesville, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Dabbs:

Due to the fact that I will be working as Project Director of the Voter Education Project which will be directed by SRC, I feel that I should resign as a member of the governing council of the Southern Regional Council and request that this letter be considered as my formal resignation.

I look forward to seeing and working with you more closely in the new role which I suddenly find myself engaged in.

With sincere personal regards,

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

Wiley A. Branton

WAB/lm
cc: Mr. Leslie Dunbar
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

COPY

December 21, 1961

Sent this date, air mail, special delivery:

To: Mr. Wiley Branton
119 E. Barraque Street
Pine Bluff, Arkansas

the following material:

SRC letter of Sept. 13, 1961 to Associates
Memo on Structure and Activities of NAACP in Voter Registration
CORE letter to Stephen Currier
SNCC memo of August 14, 1961
SRC memorandum for discussion August 23, 1961
NUL letter of August 14, 1961 to Mr. Currier
NCLC Southwide Voter Registration Prospectus
P.W.F.W. & G. letter to Honorable M. M. Caplin

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December 20, 1961

The following telegram was sent to:
Mr. Wiley Branton
119 E. Barraque Street
Pine Bluff, Arkansas

ON RECEIPT OF YOUR LETTER HAVE TALKED WITH MEMBERS OF PERSONNEL COMMITTEE. ALL WHOLEHEARTEDLY CONCUR IN YOUR APPOINTMENT. PLEASE CALL ME.

LESLIE W. DUNBAR

W. L. SNELL

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MJ: ✓

BP: OK proceed

BC: NS? (not on N.S. BCC)

Please note change of address

February 7, 1962

Mrs. Charles E. White
2209 Southmore Boulevard
Houston 4, Texas

Dear Mrs. White:

Thank you for sending your expenses for the Fellowship of the Concerned and the SRC Annual Meeting of November 1961. I am enclosing a check in the amount of $137.09.

I, too, enjoyed meeting you and very happy you could come and participate in both meetings. Mrs. Tilly has mentioned on several ocassions the fine contribution you made at her meeting. I am certain that your membership with the Council will prove to be invaluable.

Your new address has been passed on to proper staff for changes.

The staff looks forward to seeing you again in November.

Sincerely yours,

Ruth House Alexander
Secretary-Treasurer

RHA/hs
Enclosure

Note Change of address.

Lwd
PA ✓
MS ✓

~~Board of Education~~

2209 Southmore Blvd.
~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ . HOUSTON 2, TEXAS
~~HOUSTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT~~

January 31, 1962

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Mrs. Ruth Alexander, Secretary-Treasurer
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mrs. Alexander:

It surely was a pleasure to have met and talked with you at the annual meeting of the Southern Regional Council. In fact, this meeting and the workshop of the Fellowship of the Concerned were very enrichening experiences and I am grateful for having had the opportunity to attend. Each of us, I'm sure, received inspiration for continuing our efforts in our communities and in support of the Council's work.

You will note a change of address. However, I have received and appreciated all reports and materials sent from the Council since I returned from the meeting. Enclosed is the expense account incurred in attendance thereof.

I enjoyed my visit to the office. My sincerest best wishes for continued success in the very splended service the Southern Regional Council is rendering to our great nation and my personal regards for you and the other members of the staff.

Yours truly,
Hattie Mae White
Mrs. Charles E. White

February 12, 1962

Mr. Herbert M. Davidson
Daytona Beach Morning Journal
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mr. Davidson:

Les is away from the office and, in the interest of time, has asked me to reply to your letter of the 9th.

We have no recent word from the Mitchells but assume the situation is much the same. They are still at Glencoe, Argyll, Scotland. Whatever Dr. Mitchell's condition, I think it very likely that they, and certainly Mrs. Mitchell, would enjoy and appreciate a visit from you and Mrs. Davidson.

We do envy the traveling Davidsons! All good wishes from the staff for a pleasant trip.

Sincerely,

PA:bp

Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

Daytona Beach Evening News
DAYTONA BEACH MORNING JOURNAL
The Sunday News-Journal

OFFICE OF THE EDITOR

DAYTONA BEACH, FLORIDA

Feb. 9, 1962

air Mail

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Dunbar:

On our way to a motor tour of Scandinavia in June Mrs. Davidson and I plan to spend a week in Scotland. If George and Mrs. Mitchell are still there (at the same address?) and if it is advisable in view of what you told me in November, we shall try to visit them.

Can you bring me up to date on the situation? While June seems far off, I need an answer promptly because of the need to make bookings for car rental, hotels, etc.

Thanking you in advance,

Sincerely,

Herbert Davidson

Herbert M. Davidson/nb

February 12, 1962

Mr. Courtney Siceloff
Penn Community Services, Inc.
St. Helena Island
Frogmore, South Carolina

Dear Courtney:

We don't have the interagency list in mimeographed form. However, we do have our own working list with many penciled corrections. When time permits we will have one of the ladies type a clean copy and send it to you.

Do I remember correctly, that your request concerning the state advisory committees is not needed before next week? That is now the time when we hope to have it unless we hear otherwise from you.

Max Hahn will be here on Thursday and Friday. Happy to know that he's coming on to Penn. Good luck.

Per (blessedly) left us some weeks ago and is now in New York writing against a Spring deadline.

Best,

PA:bp

Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

PENN COMMUNITY SERVICES, INCORPORATED

ST. HELENA ISLAND

FROGMORE, SOUTH CAROLINA

COURTNEY SICELOFF
DIRECTOR

February 7, 1962

Mr. Paul Anthony
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsythe Street
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Paul:

Do you have a mimeographed mailing list of current members of the Interagency Conference? We have some old addresses and names of former personnel for some of these agencies and would like to bring it up to date if something has been produced recently.

Max Hahn wrote that he is to be there in Atlana with you with the secretaries of the State Councils. He is to come from that meeting and spend the weekend here.

With best regards,

Courtney Siceloff

cs/bbm

Is Pat still your guest? Mrs Helen Chmielinski of Bft had a good letter from him & she was ecstatic over it.

February 21, 1962

Mr. Paul Williams
3320 Gloucester Road
Richmond, Virginia

Dear Mr. Williams:

The two men to whom you spoke on the airline bus several weeks ago in Atlanta were good friends of the Council, in town for a day conferring with me. They were Bill Foster, Professor of Law at the University of Wisconsin, and Dan Pollitt, Professor of Law at the University of North Carolina.

I am sorry we did not know where to reach you while you were in town. I hope when next you come to Atlanta you will let us know.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director

LWD/mmj

February 26, 1962

Mr. Courtney Siceloff,
Director,
Penn Community Services
St. Helena Island
Frogmore, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Siceloff:

Paul Anthony asked me to send you the enclosed Southern Inter-Agency' list as soon as it had been up-dated.

Sincerely,

BP:s
enc.

Barbara Patterson
secretary

file

THE FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY

TALLAHASSEE

DIVISION OF UNIVERSITY RELATIONS

February 27, 1962

Dr. Leslie Dunbar
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Les:

For some time I have meant to raise with you a question that I have about the changing tone of New South. I have read your comments about the magazine in your very excellently written annual report (in which there are many points made which I should like to have the time to comment on here). Much as I have long liked to read Maggie Long and much as I have liked to read her in New South, I still feel constrained to raise a question as to whether or not the personal columns which she has done enhance the effectiveness of New South. It seems to me that these columns tend to change somewhat the posture of the magazine and perhaps that of the Council. I quote from your own report on page 12, ". . . which is that the Council has achieved a reputation for informed, objective interpretation of events in the South, and it is our responsibility to merit that reputation." I quote further your words on page 6, ". . . obligate SRC to make its unique contribution to the maintenance of both momentum and responsibility, and the minimizing of inevitable friction, within the Civil Rights Movement."

As I think I have said above, I raise this question tentatively and confidentially. I would be glad to have an opportunity to chat with you about it the next time there is a chance for us to be together. Certainly at the moment I would appreciate your not sharing my remarks with Maggie.

Sincerely,

John

John A. Griffin
Director

JAG/gp

February 28, 1962

Dr. H. Franklin Williams
Vice President
The University of Miami
Coral Gables, Florida

Dear Dr. Williams:

Enclosed is our check for your travel expenses. The University form - or any other - is more than adequate for our purposes.

We, too, enjoyed having you at the meeting and look forward to seeing you in the spring.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony

PA:bp
enc.

UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI
CORAL GABLES 46, FLORIDA

OFFICE OF VICE PRESIDENT AND
DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS

February 26, 1962

Mr. Paul Anthony,
Executive Assistant
Southern Regional Council

Dear Paul,

By some inadvertence I failed to bring the expense form back with me from Atlanta. I hope that you can accept a University of Miami form which calls for similar information.

I thought that we had a good meeting and shall look forward to future ones with pleasure.

Sincerely yours,

H. Franklin Williams

March 7, 1962

Mr. John A. Griffin
Division of University Relations
Florida State University
Tallahassee, Florida

Dear John:

Here it is. But, I must say those hotels and u-drive-its staggered us!

Best.

Sincerely,

PA:bp
enclosure

Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

THE FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY

TALLAHASSEE

DIVISION OF UNIVERSITY RELATIONS

February 28, 1962

Mrs. Ruth Alexander
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Ruth:

Here is my expense account for the last meeting in Atlanta. I got a U-Drive-It and put half of the cost on the expense account. I thought we had a good meeting--and certainly a memorable one thanks to Mr. Glenn.

Thank you so much.

Sincerely,

John

John A. Griffin
Director

JAG/gp

Enclosure - 1

Rec'd 3/12/62

PA

Winter Park Methodist Church

Interlachen Avenue at Morse Boulevard
P. O. BOX 825 - PHONE MI 4-2906 OR 4-1933
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CAXTON DOGGETT, *Minister*

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Associate Minister

MISS HELEN PARISH
Director of Christian Education

MRS. PAUL THORMAN
Church Secretary

RICHARD H. STINSON
Financial Secretary

March 8, 1962

Mr. James McBride Dabbs
5 Forsyth Street N. W.
Atlanta 3, Ga.

Dear Mr. Dabbs:

This is a belated reply to Paul Anthony's letter asking for an opinion concerning a new policy statement for SRC.

After reading carefully the statement of the Council's functions as given on page 2, I have only one suggestion: I think this statement does not give sufficient recognition and emphasis to the Council's role in fact finding and research. True,the second paragraph contains the words, "To present the facts about the regions, and their implications, through newspapers, . . . etc". And another paragraph contains the statement, "To translate appropriate research findings from universities and other centers . . . etc". However, neither of these statements seems to me to cover the extremely important activity of our staff in conducting surveys and research projects. I would like to see an additional paragraph which expresses clearly the function of the Council in the field of research and fact-finding.

Other than this, I can think of nothing worthwhile to suggest.

Sincerely,

Caxton Doggett

Caxton Doggett

CD:t

file — Bad

March 20, 1962

Mr. I. H. Burney, II
Vice-President-Secretary
Afro-American Life Insurance Co.
101-105 East Union Street
Jacksonville, Florida

Dear Mr. Burney:

Enclosed is a copy of the pamphlet, "A Second Look, The Negro Citizen in Atlanta." I am not familiar with the requested "A Look at Atlanta," though also enclosed is a pamphlet "Background: Atlanta." This may be of some interest.

"A Second Look..." is completely out of print. In fact, the enclosed copy is one of our three file copies. The "Background:Atlanta" pamphlet we can let you have in very small number if you have need of it.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

Enclosures
PA/mr

Office of the Secretary

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HOME OFFICE
101-105 E. UNION STREET
P. O. BOX 660
JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA

March 13, 1962

Mr. Paul Anthony, Executive Assistant
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Anthony:

Our group here in Jacksonville is anxious to get six (6) or eight (8) copies each of the two (2) releases "A Look At Atlanta" and "A Second Look At Atlanta".

We are considering the possibility through our Executive Committee of doing a similar type study of the Jacksonville situation. Please advise me if there will be any cost involved.

Very respectfully yours,

I. H. Burney II

I. H. BURNEY, II
VICE-PRESIDENT-SECRETARY

IHB/p

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MS

March 21, 1962

Bernice,

Attached is a check from Charlie ~~Eaaa~~ Steele of the Louisville Urban League. He writes in a letter of March 20, that he wishes the following person to be put on NEW SOUTH:

Mr. Todd Duncan
~~&&&

Louisville Urban League

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March 20, 1962

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Les:

I am enclosing my check for $2 to cover a subscription to the New South, for a very close friend of mine. His name is Todd Duncan, 1111 South Western Parkway. I would appreciate you placing his name also on the mailing list to receive any other of your materials and reports that the Council gives from time to time.

Thanks ever so much and with best wishes to you and the rest of the staff.

Sincerely yours,

Charlie

Charles T. Steele
Executive Director

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Passed on to B.C.
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THE FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY

TALLAHASSEE

DIVISION OF UNIVERSITY RELATIONS

File

April 11, 1962

Mr. Oscar Cohen
Anti-Defamation League
515 Madison Avenue
New York City, New York

Dear Mr. Cohen:

I write to you because my understanding from our conversation is that you are handling the matter about which Mr. Levin wrote me. I am sending a copy of this letter to Mr. Levin.

I regret the delay that has been caused by a bout with the flu. It has not only kept me out of the office for a couple weeks but it's got me so far behind that I was delayed in considering the proposal you made to me concerning a study of "Tokenism."

First of all let me make it clear that I appreciate very much your interest in having me do this project. I have heard from Mr. Dunbar who has expressed interest from the point of view of the Southern Regional Council. I have thought this matter through carefully and have consulted with some of my colleagues in the Department of Sociology and the Institute of Social Science Research here at Florida State University. After thoughtful attention I come to the conclusion that I must decline your invitation. Two reasons loom large to me: First is the fact that increasingly I have no time for research in the kind of administrative responsibilities I carry here at the University and they seem to increase and not diminish. Thus I see this job as one which I would have to spread out over many months in order to find the time from my job to do it, and even so it would be very difficult. Second, I see this research as something which must be done very carefully and which would involve a good deal of time-consuming inspection of sources. It's the sort of research job which I would not want to undertake unless I had the feeling that I had the time and the resources to be absolutely sure of the findings which were developed.

In saying that I can't undertake this research, let me say that I am very regretful because the project is very tempting. My better judgment insists that I must not allow myself to say "yes." Thank you very much.

Sincerely,

John A. Griffin
Director

JAG/gp

cc: Mr. Arthur J. Levin
Mr. Leslie Dunbar

April 6, 1962

Dr. John A. Griffin
Florida State University
Tallahassee, Florida

Dear John:

Oscar Cohen has told you that he has discussed with us possible co-sponsorship of the study on token school desegregation. We are interested and tend to favor the idea.

Jim Moss here has some ideas on this subject and has done, over the past couple months, some work on it. If you decide, as I hope you will, to do the job perhaps Jim's work can be fitted into the undertaking. You may recall also that we are administering a study by Dr. M. Robert Coles, a psychiatrist, of the personality effects of desegregation on the children involved. I think Coles might have some data derived from Atlanta and New Orleans which would be very useful.

Best wishes.

Sincerely yours,

Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director

LWD/mmj

April 12, 1962

Dr. J. McDowell Richards
Columbia Theological Seminary
Decatur, Georgia

Dear Dr. Richards:

We here at the Southern Regional Council have felt great admiration for the leadership you have given Davidson College as it faces the question of integration.

With best regards,

Sincerely yours,

Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director

LWD/mmj

Rec'd 4/16/62

Columbia Theological Seminary

Decatur, Georgia

April 13, 1962

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

FA ✓
MJ - file

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Dr. Dunbar:

Your letter of April 12 has just been received, and I want to thank you sincerely for it.

I am afraid that I do not deserve your words of commendation since any leadership I have been able to provide at Davidson College has not resulted in affirmative action by the Trustees on the question of integration. The question is still under discussion, however, and we hope that it will not be too long a while before affirmative action is taken.

With every good wish, I am

Sincerely yours,

J. McDowell Richards

J. McDowell Richards

JMR:jh

April 24, 1962

Dr. Frank P. Graham
The United Nations
New York, New York

Dear Dr. Graham:

It was very good of you to have a complimentary copy of Diary of a Sit-In sent to me. Thank you very much. You may be interested to know that I have been asked to review it by the Negro Educational Review. I had sent off last week the review and I am enclosing a copy; you see that I agree with you on the book's merits.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director

LWD/mmj
Enclosure - 1.

Proof copy, Diary of a Sit-In, A Review By LWD for Negro Educational Review.

via air mail

April 27, 1962

Board - file

Dr. Douglas Jackson
Perkins School of Theology
Southern Methodist University
Dallas, Texas

Dear Douglas:

Jimmie Mackay's address is 1032 Clifton Road, N. E., Atlanta, Georgia.

I enjoyed being with all of you yesterday and will be interested to hear about the final report as your plans develop.

Sincerely yours,

Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director

LWD/mmj

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CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA

MJ - ✓
BC - NS? ✓
Joe - pull old stencil if there is one ✓

April 28, 1962

MEMORANDUM

TO: Southern Regional Council, Inc.

FROM: Fred D. Alexander
Board Member

SUBJECT: Change of address

Change address from

2308 Sanders Avenue
Charlotte, N. C.

to

2140 Senior Drive
Charlotte 8, N. C.

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

MEMORANDUM May 24, 1962

To: Members of the Council

From: Leslie W. Dunbar

- : -

I think all of you probably have heard by now that George Mitchell died on April 12, 1962 at Glencoe, Scotland. You will want to know that Alice Mitchell informs us that she will stay in Scotland during this summer, perhaps visit Northern Rhodesia in the fall, and return to the States sometime next year. Her address now is Glencoe, Argyle, Scotland.

New South this month includes a tribute written, as it should have been, by Paul Williams, co-laborer with George Mitchell for so many of the Council's leanest years, and yet years when the Council's integrity was tested, proved, and handed on to us who came later. An editorial of the Washington Post is also reprinted.

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May 29, 1962

Mr. Lee B. Thomas, Jr.
American Saw and Tool Company
P. O. Box 1475
Louisville, Kentucky

Dear Lee:

The books should be sent to:

Mr. Lucius H. Pitts
President
Miles College
Birmingham 8, Alabama

Many thanks for your interest and help.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

PA/mmj

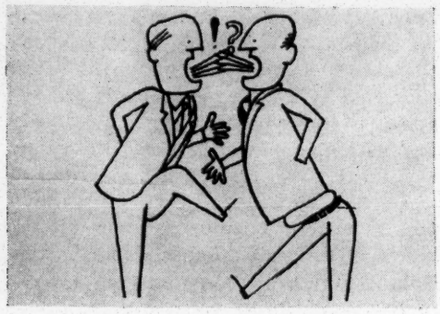
MFJ - See 3 & file

page 3

ML return to merry files

the ADL bulletin
PUBLISHED BY THE ANTI-DEFAMATION LEAGUE OF B'NAI B'RITH
MAY, 1962

WHAT 'FREEDOM FOR ALL' MEANS



It means affirmation and faith. It means taking risks. It means the right of even the extremist to have his say. And it means talking and fighting back.

By Dore Schary

We are all living dangerously. We eat lovely dinners that very likely have too high a cholesterol count. Most of us are smoking too much. We travel by plane, car or train. We read that fats can bring on hardening of the arteries, smoking can give us lung cancer, irregular exercise may bring on coronaries and planes may fall, cars may crash, and trains may go off rails.

We live in a fantastic world—a world that has become homogenized, pressurized, pasteurized, emulsified and simonized. We live in a world in which the mind of man has reached outer space, is beginning to probe the very center of our planet, and has developed panaceas and wondrous nostrums for creature comforts. The mind of man has also created the means of destroying himself completely with a few dozen well-placed hydrogen bombs.

In this angry, tense, difficult and dangerous time when intransigent men play a reckless game with God's world, we need affirmation.

At a time when morbid statisticians compile probable mortality rates for a possible nuclear war, we must seek each other out to say we have a better future than that.

As we ply our way in a society riddled with corruptive forces that weaken our moral structure, we must seek each other out to say we are better than that.

Playwright and producer Dore Schary is honorary vice-chairman of the Anti-Defamation League.

While our screens and our books and our television sets and some of our plays hurl sex and sadism and sensationalism and shock us with their ugly profusion, we must seek each other out to say that our hearts want something better than that.

We need affirmation. We need to stand for something. We need to prove that the cynic is wrong when he says we are doomed to root in the mire. We need to talk straight with the realization that we mean something to each other.

We cannot speak freely of Russian hypocrisy before we eliminate every last vestige of second-class citizenship in our own country. We cannot support the work of the Anti-Defamation League and at the same time speak in hostile terms of other minority groups who live in our midst. We cannot guide our children along the proper roads unless we are prepared to stride those roads with them, not as explorers but as seasoned travellers. We cannot complain piously of immorality unless we set extremely high moral standards for ourselves. And I am not thinking of puritanical strictures. I am speaking of basic morality that will lead us toward empathizing with the man opposite us. It is possible to hate an idea without hating the man who expressed it.

In a world rapidly developing long periods of leisure for all of us, it would be good to know that some of that time is spent in doing something worthwhile for our fellow man. To me, leisure is much like faith—it involves taking a burden along with a blessing. We are at a point of our development where the forty-hour week is not only a reality—it appears to be archaic; in some areas we are not only talking about a thirty-hour week, but of a twenty-four hour week. What, then, does man do with all those other hours that are left to him?

It appears, if the present trend is significant, that he sits in front of his television set bemoaning the quality of the programs he persists in viewing; he takes up bowling, boating, hunting, tennis, golf and baseball. He drinks more; he smokes more; he travels more — and energetically and rather frantically, he pursues what is called "the good life." With help from medical science, this "good life" is also a much longer life. Up to now in the Twentieth Century, we have all been given a gift of an additional twenty-five years.

What will this free time impel us to do? Will there be an extravagance of indulgence; will our added hours result in

RABBI IN THE DEEP SOUTH

A Mississippian shows the way: How to be true to one's belief—and survive—in an area of racial tension.

BY CHARLES MANTINBAND

I AM a rabbi from a small southern town, but I trust I am not a small town rabbi. For the past fifteen years my labors in the vineyard of the Lord have been in Alabama and the Magnolia State of Mississippi. As a child I attended the segregated schools of Virginia.

Life can be very placid and gracious in this part of the country—if one is a conformist and runs with the herd. The South is turbulent and sullen and sometimes noisy, but there is a conspiracy of silence in respectable middle-class society. The voices heard are those of the blatant, raucous segregationist. Sensitive souls, with vision and the courage of the Hebrew prophets, are drowned out. Timid souls, complacent and indifferent, seldom articulate their protests. Their refrain is

"Come weal, come woe,
My status is quo."

The anti-Semitism that exists in Dixie has taken a new turn. Since the historic U. S. Supreme Court school decision in May 1954, anti-Semitic forces have joined some of the reactionary elements to ply their trade. Happily, these forces which have tried to insinuate themselves into the race problem have largely failed. It remains for a few individuals—like Admiral Crommelin, who was last month defeated in his bid for the United States Senate from Alabama—to continue their anti-Semitic efforts. The thousands of pieces of anti-Semitic literature that have been sent into Mississippi in recent months have been rejected as un-American.

Through the Attorney General's office, the Federal Government continues to inquire into the denial of the franchise, the lack of equal penalties under the law, the lack of job opportunities, adequate housing facilities, and the abolition of a school system that is separate but never quite equal. Still, in industry, on the college campus, and in our courts, some progress has been made. Three states remain the hard core of resistance—Alabama, Louisiana, Mississsippi—and Mississippi will probably hold out to the bitter end.

FOR two years I served as Mississippi state chairman of our Council of Human Relations. For fifteen years, I have been on the board of the Southern Regional Council, a non-political, bi-racial educational group. I have been frequently asked to visit many college campuses, white and Negro, to speak on aspects of Judaism and the theme "What can Negro leadership learn from Jewish experience" in dealing with the intricate problems of intergroup relations.

My congregation has been troubled about these public appearances. They want to keep harmony in the congregation. They fear reprisal, harassment, violence. No amount of assurance has allayed their misgivings.

Mississippi's Rabbi Mantinband

I do not use the pulpit for crusading purposes—although after the Emmett Till lynching, I utilized Yom Kippur to hold forth on "What Mississippi has to atone for." Again I raised my voice in wrath and indignation after the Mack Parker scandal. And when my temple's board urged that I cancel my visits to Negro colleges, I told them I would, on condition that I also refuse invitations to white colleges and be allowed to inform the authorities why. When the board urged that I refrain from speaking on the race problem, I said I would if the daily press would also fall in line. The truth is that everybody speaks on the subjects I do—but they do it behind closed doors and in whispers. Such, alas, is our current pattern of behavior.

MY views on the evils of segregation and the danger of our White Citizens Council have become well known. In 1958, while my wife and I were abroad, the WCC took advantage of our absence to write to one of our prominent temple members that it was a good time to get rid of the "mischief-making rabbi" or—there followed the inevitable threat—"we cannot be responsible for the consequences."

Six months later, when a national foundation contributed $2,500 to the Hattiesburg temple in honor of what they deemed my "sane approach and wisdom in dealing with the race issue," our board was panicky and hesitant about accepting the money. Our members were afraid of reprisals. The gift was accepted only after

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Last year, Rabbi Mantinband of Congregation B'nai Israel in Hattiesburg, Mississippi, visited the national office of ADL and gave his reflections on the role of the rabbi in the South. At ADL's request, he has now put some of his observations in writing.

SOUTHERN RABBI

(Continued from page 3)

I made it clear that if it were refused, the temple would not only lose the money, but its rabbi as well. As a result of this position, I received a five-to-one majority approval, and ultimately life tenure.

Some years earlier, after a skirmish with a Mississsippi United States Senator who insisted that race relations in Mississippi are well-nigh perfect, my hometown paper headlined its front page story, LOCAL RABBI SAYS RACE RELATIONS STINK. I survived only because other papers in the South and elsewhere in our nation, covered the same story with more dignified restraint. What I had actually said was a line from Hamlet, "My offense is great, it smells to heaven."

How does a rabbi in the deep South hold on and continue his ministry if he speaks his mind and stands for truth and justice? Harry Golden, of the *Carolina Israelite,* once discussed this with me. He thought that since we live in the "Bible Belt," and the rabbi speaks or acts out of religious conviction, even those who differ with him respect his point of view and his right to speak. My theory is different. I believe that if a rabbi lives in a community long enough and earns the reputation for hard work, integrity, and public service, people will tend to say, "Well, he may be a bit queer and out of step, but let him alone. He's a good fellow."

On one thing, however, Golden and I agreed—in an atmosphere where emotions are strained and people are hardly rational, there is little place for logic and appeal to reason. Instead, we must resort as best we can to "chochma," that shrewd combination of wisdom and subtle humor. Golden himself uses it. So does P.D. East in the *Petal Paper*. And I find myself resorting to it all the time. For example, when I became affiliated, after many objections, with a local ministerial group, a minister inquired, "How shall I address you, rabbi? I call my other colleagues, Brother Jones, Brother Smith, Brother Robinson." I replied, "Call me brother-in-law." At another time when some Negroes were seen entering my home through the front door, a neighbor demanded, "Who are those people?" My reply was simple. "Some of my Christian friends," I said.

In order to remain in the South and be worthy of my Jewish heritage, I had two decisions to make. The first was that there could be no distinction between any of God's children—the pigmentation of skin could be no more important than the color of eyes. The second was that I would never sit in the presence of bigotry and by my silence seem to give assent. I do not look for trouble, but when hate is evident, I must protest.

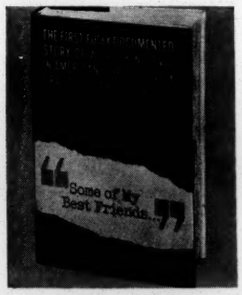
Our experience in interfaith activity is worthy of mention. We are not satisfied with the familiar trio of rabbi, minister and priest, appearing on a platform once a year during Brotherhood Week. We try to spread the goodwill program over the entire year. We encourage the exchange of our men's groups, Sisterhood and youth with corresponding church units. Occasionally we set up pilgrimages of lay people who visit one house of God after another, not to pray, but to study and learn how our neighbors worship.

When a new church is built in our community, it is the practice for a Jewish group, usually the B'nai B'rith, to present a library of Judaica, with appropriate ceremonies, to the Christian congregation. B'nai B'rith publications are distributed on the college campus, and Religious Emphasis Week invariably includes a rabbi. As another expression of interfaith attitudes: I was recently elected president of the local ministerial association although I am its only Jewish member.

A new day is dawning. The rabbi's role of teaching Judaism to his fellow Jews and interpreting it to the outside world presents quite a challenge. The small group of rabbis in this area who work valiantly to improve race relations draw encouragement from each other. There are battles—advances, marking of time, retreats—but ultimately victory must come.

We have applauded the objectives of the Freedom Riders, but have not been certain about the wisdom of their strategy. Time alone will determine whether the contingents of clerics, including some rabbis, have helped or hindered the overall situation. My feeling is that, in the final analysis, the struggle must be carried on by local leadership, white and Negro, Christian and Jew, on the home front—working despite the fear of reprisal. Of this I am sure: where moral issues are concerned, the time is past when a Jew dare be neutral.

"Some of My Best Friends . . ."



"Two editions exhausted—a third going to press," report Farrar, Straus and Cudahy, publishers of **"Some of My Best Friends . . ."** by Benjamin R. Epstein, ADL's national director, and Arnold Forster, civil rights director.

The patterns of discrimination, exposed in the book as being practiced furtively by "nice" people and "respected" institutions, made headlines in all New York dailies—including a four-column front-page story in the Herald Tribune—and in leading newspapers throughout our country. Coverage was also given by major radio and television programs. In the American-Jewish press—newspapers and magazines—a series of ten articles based on the book is still running. Book reviewers, too, have hailed **"Some of My Best Friends . . ."** and the importance of the message it conveys. A few samples:

"Handles excitingly and impressively virtually all areas of prejudice."
—Cleveland Amory, *Saturday Review*

"A fine, factual survey of the care and feeding of contemporary anti-Semitism . . ."
—Louise Lux, *Philadelphia Bulletin*

"This is an enlightening, discomfiting book recommended by this Gentile who closed it with warmer knowledge of a gallant people's struggle to enjoy the privileges promised but not yet fully realized in this 'land of the free.'"
—Rev. Thomas B. Allen, *The Washington Post*

Incidentally, here's one way for **you** to read **"Some of My Best Friends . . ."**

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Greensboro Daily News June 2 '62

MAN-WIFE DEGREE TEAMS

History Repeating In Johnson Family

CHAPEL HILL, June 1 (AP)—Thirty-five years ago, Guy B. Johnson and his wife received their doctor of philosophy degrees from the University of North Carolina, he in sociology and she in history.

At the university's graduation exercises Monday, their son, Edward S. Johnson, and his wife will receive their doctorates in psychology.

The younger Johnson will move to New Haven, where he will become assistant professor of psychology at Yale.

Dr. Guy Johnson is a professor of sociology and anthropology at the University of North Carolina and an authority on Africa. His wife, Guion G. Johnson, has worked with Women's organizations and two years ago was a lecturer at Rhodes University in Grahamstown, South Africa.

WEEKEND TO BE BUSY FOR U

June 4, 1962

Mr. David Scull
Turnpike Press
Annandale, Virginia

Dear Mr. Scull:

I am delighted that you will be in Atlanta June 8 - 11 and that I shall finally have an opportunity to meet you. I have planned to take a few days of vacation beginning Tuesday, June 12 and I may possibly take June 11 also, thought if I do, I shall be at home and would enjoy having you come out. I would hope, however, that we could get together before June 11. I wonder if you would give me a call sometime early in your Atlanta stay?

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director

LWD/mmj

June 5, 1962

Rabbi Charles Mantinband
808 Mamie Street
Hattiesburg, Mississippi

My dear Rabbi Mantinband:

I am enclosing for your use a list of our Board members, up-dated in March of this year. Since that time, however, several changes in mailing addresses have occurred which I have inserted in pen.

We are always pleased to be of whatever service we can to you.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Mildred M. Johnson
Secretary to the Director

MMJ
Enclosure - 1.

P. O. Box 1326
HATTIESBURG, MISSISSIPPI

DATE 196

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FROM THE DESK OF
RABBI CHARLES MANTINBAND

Send list

Please send me a
correct list of the
SRC membership -
names, addresses,
vacations, etc

Sent 6/5/62

Thank you
Chm

THE FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY

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DIVISION OF UNIVERSITY RELATIONS

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June 6, 1962

Dr. Leslie Dunbar
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta - 3, Georgia

Dear Les:

I discussed with some of my colleagues in the Institute of Social Science Research here at FSU the question that I raised at the Executive Committee meeting concerning a little more careful structuring of the research aspects of the voting project. They tentatively agree with me--getting a biased view, I am sure. Nonetheless, I still feel you might wish to think a little further about the discussion which we had. In our discussion here it was suggested that my point of view is reflected in Merton's The Continuities in Social Research. I confess I have not read Merton's book.

I thought we had a good meeting.

Sincerely,

John A. Griffin

John A. Griffin
Director

JAG/gp

cc: Mr. Moss

June 13, 1962

The Rev. Theodore R. Gibson
Christ Episcopal Church
3841 Hibiscus Street
Miami 33, Florida

My dear Father Gibson:

We have just learned of your tragic loss. In the absence of Mr. Dunbar, and on behalf of the Members and staff of the Council, please accept our deepest sympathy and know that we share your loss.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

PA/mmj

July 9, 1962

The Rev. W. Carroll Brooks
St. Elizabeth's Episcopal Church
P. O. Box 4211
Roanoke, Virginia

Dear Carroll:

It was very good of you to write. I value both your expression of confidence in our work and your invitation to Roanoke, which I hope someday to accept.

I think you bring a unique strength to the Executive Committee and hope you shall continue to do so. I believe there is merit in getting a trickle of new blood into the Committee, and have so advised the Nominating Committee when asked; I think this helps the Executive Committee and also helps the general membership through involvement of more people. But until such time that rotation may catch up with you, I am delighted to have you in the post.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director

LWD/mmj

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Ernie Morgan - Conway

~~The Reverend Walter D. Edwards, Jr.~~

P.O. Box 4211

Study: ~~[illegible]~~ ROANOKE, VIRGINIA

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June 27, 1962

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar, Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Les:

I was delighted with the news of the additional grant to us by the Aaron E. Norman Fund, Inc. There is no question that the value of our work is going to be more and more recognized in the next fifteen years. I hope that my church will be able to increase its giving when the General Convention meets in 1964.

I have often thought that it might be better for one of our clergy with a greater national reputation than mine to be on the Executive Committee. I have treasured my relationship with the group but at any time the nominating committee feels anyone can serve better than I, I will be glad to step aside.

If you are ever in the Roanoke area please let me know. I am hoping that our local council may soon begin to do some of the fine things we see going on in Richmond.

With every good wish to you,

Sincerely,

Carroll Brooke

WCB:mh

TALLADEGA COLLEGE

Under The Auspices of The American Missionary Association

TALLADEGA, ALABAMA

ARTHUR D. GRAY
President

August 31, 1962

Mr. Paul Anthony
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Anthony:

President Arthur D. Gray has asked me to inform you that due to the fact that he will not be residing in this area, he would like for his name to be removed from your membership list.

Sincerely yours,

Mittie E. Tucker

(Miss) Mittie E. Tucker
Secretary

UNITED NEGRO COLLEGE FUND

August 24, 1962

Dr. Arthur Gray, President
Talladega College
Talladega, Alabama

Dear Dr. Gray:

We have been told you have accepted a church in Chicago and will be leaving Talladega. Our Nominating Committee meets September 5 to select new members and if you are leaving we would like to inform this of this vacancy since membership on the Council is contingent on residence in the region.

If you are leaving, we are very sorry for we and the South will miss you.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

PA/hs

LWD

TALLADEGA COLLEGE

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TALLADEGA, ALABAMA

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ARTHUR D. GRAY
PRESIDENT

September 24, 1962

Mr. Paul Anthony
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Anthony:

Since I will no longer be living in this region, I hereby submit my resignation to the Southern Regional Council.

You and the Council have my cordial best wishes for success in your important work.

Sincerely yours,

Arthur D. Gray

Arthur D. Gray
President

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September 28, 1962

Mr. Irving E. Carlyle
Womble, Carlyle, Sandridge & Rice
Wachovia Bank Building
Winston-Salem 1, N. C.

Dear Mr. Carlyle:

This is a very belated acknowledgement of the generous gift of your travel expenses for the Nominating Committee meeting. Our official receipt is enclosed for your records.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

PA:A
Enclosure

Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

WOMBLE, CARLYLE, SANDRIDGE & RICE
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September 6, 1962

Mr. Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Re: Meeting of Nominating Committee

Dear Paul:

Thanks to you and the others for a very interesting day, spent in Atlanta on September 5, for the meeting of the Nominating Committee.

As heretofore, I am making a confidential gift of my expenses to the Southern Regional Council, Inc., in the amount of $89.63, and I will thank you to mark your records accordingly.

Yours sincerely,

Irving E. Carlyle

Irving E. Carlyle

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October 3, 1962

Copy

Mr. William Daveron
Brownie Drug Co.
715 Wellman Ave.
Huntsville, Alabama

Dear Mr. Daveron:

At a recent meeting of the Huntsville Ministerial Association which includes fifty Protestant ministers within the city a resolution was adopted unanimously recognizing the fact that seven lunch counters in Huntsville had adopted the policy of serving all customers without distinction of color.

When the sit-ins first began, the Ministerial Association offered its services and support to the Mayor, the Chamber of Commerce and the Huntsville Industrial Expansion Committee. We were aware of the difficulties involved in breaking with long-established customs and we wanted to help reduce any social friction during this transition. For some time now our association has included ministers of both racial groups. This is the one place where lines of communication remain open. We feel that this is healthy for the future wellbeing of our city and state.

It is our desire to continue a role of mediation and reconciliation. Therefore, the resolution to which we agreed commended all those who gave constructive leadership in this matter and especially those store managers who made the final outcome possible.

If there is any way in which we can undergird the decision you have made and help insure racial goodwill, we hope you will freely call on us.

Sincerely yours,

Duncan Hunter
Huntsville Ministerial Association

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Brownie Drug Co.

October 3, 1962

The Reverend Duncan Hunter
District Superintendent
The Methodist Church
1009 Westmoreland Avenue
Huntsville, Ala.

Dear

Here are a collection of statements; also some sentences which I hastily jotted down. Please let us know how you make out.

Best wishes.

Sincerely yours,

LWD:A

Leslie W. Dunbar

Enclosures:
LWD notes
Albany Ministers statement
Hill, This I Believe
McGill, The Agony of the Southern Minister
Sessons, Are Southern Ministers Failing the South
Atlanta Ministers statement, 2nd
New South, April 1957, Richmond Ministers statement
Nov. 1957, Atlanta ministers, 1st
May 1958, Gainesville ministers
June 1958, Dallas ministers
December 1957, Greater Houston ministers
foto copies newsclips, with more recent statements, including
Catholic Bishops statement

Our neighbors in Mississippi have endured recent days of civic shame. Communities ~~like ours~~ in Georgia have been ravaged by church burnings and gunfire. Mobs have again this year gathered about schoolhouses of Louisiana.

Our own state of Alabama has been constantly and currently harassed by disorder, of which the riots of Birmingham and Montgomery in May, 1960 were only the most violent.

When we say that this record is a civic shame, we are not speaking in an accusing spirit or one of condemnation. For we are all involved in the guilt, and we who sign this statement are brother to the nightriders, the church burners, the assasins, and the mobsters. We have sinned with them, equally and fully.

For the primary shame of Alabama and the Deep South generally is not the mobs. The primary shame is that so few speak or act against it. Too many have been the silent partners of the mob.

Nor can we with honesty of mind or cleanliness of spirit denounce those who have burned and shot and rioted, and tortued the ear with their blasphemous taunt of "nigger-lover": they are, youth and adult, the children of our society. We raised them, as they are.

Sadly we recognize that in our southern societies men and women of good lives and good conscience do still differ regarding the equities of race relations. Our task as ministers of Christ's church is to lead our congregations into reconciliation with themselves, and to offer to all a helping hand toward reconciliation with God and his will for us.

But we say that there can be no disagreement among persons of good character on the question of law and order within our societies.

We call, therefore, upon the political leaders of our state; upon those who are entrusted with economic power and wealth; upon the leaders of our educational system; upon those who through civic clubs guide the life of our communities; upon our brethren in the ministry of Protestant, Catholic, and Jewish communions:

> We call upon all who believe that ~~men~~ men should, in their relationships with other men, act in simple humanity, and with decency and common fairness, to repudiate this shame on our state and our region, and to combat it actively.

MOREHOUSE COLLEGE

ATLANTA, GEORGIA

October 5, 1962

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Gentlemen:

I'm enclosing a check for $3.75 for one copy of SEEDS OF SOUTHERN CHANGE by Dykeman and Stokely.

Sincerely yours,

Benjamin E. Mays
President

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Enclosure

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October 5, 1962

The Rev. Colbert S. Cartwright
Pulaski Heights Christian Church
Hillcrest and Spruce
Little Rock, Arkansas

Dear Bert:

Thank you for your letter and the clipping from the Arkansas Gazette. I don't think there has been any difference between us regarding Everett Tucker except possibly on one matter: I think under the circumstances at the time and to the audiences before which he spoke, he made a worthwhile contribution to the Georgia situation. I am in full agreement with you regarding the quality of his official leadership in Little Rock and the undesirability of employing him again by or through SRC.

Looking forward to seeing you in November; I believe we shall have an interesting meeting.

Sincerely yours,

LWD:A

Leslie W. Dunbar

Pulaski Heights Christian Church

Colbert S. Cartwright, Pastor

Hillcrest and Spruce
Little Rock, Arkansas

October 3, 1962

Mr. Leslie Dunbar
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Leslie:

I thought you might be interested in the enclosed clipping concerning Tucker and Faubus, in case you missed the TV interviews, as I did.

Unlike the newspaper reporter I see nothing different in Tucker's expressed views. This has been his consistent attitude, which I think is typical of the southern moderate's views. Of course, the bit in the article about Tucker's virtually opening the schools single-handedly is nonsense.

You may surmise that I still question the use of Tucker in any way to aid the cause of desegregation.

I look forward to the annual meeting, and hope we can have some of our members from Mississippi present.

Cordially,

Bert

Colbert S. Cartwright

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Both Appear on TV Program

I'm Moderate, Faubus Says; Tucker Assails U. S.

Governor Faubus and a one-time political foe, Everett Tucker Jr., president of the Little Rock School Board, swapped roles momentarily yesterday on a national television program.

Mr. Faubus sounded like a moderate and Tucker jumped on the federal government.

Harry Reasoner, a CBS television newsman, interviewed the two men separately, Mr. Faubus first and then Tucker, on a morning program, "Calendar." The Mississippi integration crisis was the background for the interviews.

Reasoner asked Mr. Faubus whether integration had succeeded at Little Rock, where five years ago he made himself and the city world-famous by resisting the federal government.

Mr. Faubus replied that Little Rock still had only token or limited integration. He said he had always said that Little Rock could get along with that. (That does not jibe with his utterances of 1957, when he stopped integration of Central High School with the explanation that he did it to preserve the peace because Little Rock was not ready to accept integration.)

Tucker in his turn said that as long as the federal government "crams it [integration] down our throats," the South would harbor resentment. He said he had hoped that the federal government would be "more understanding."

Except for those sentiments, Mr. Faubus and Tucker were themselves. Mr. Faubus came out again for fellowship, arguing that an elected official has no right to do anything except what "the people" want him to do.

"Governor Barnett is acting in response to the obligation he has to his people," Mr. Faubus said.

Tucker, introduced as the man who had virtually reopened Little Rock's closed high schools single-handedly, reviewed the progress of the city and its schools since he and other "moderates" took over the School Board in 1959. He alluded to the city's economic retardation resulting from the integration crisis and its subsequent gains when the closed schools were reopened and token desegregation installed.

"I wouldn't want anybody to think that we compromised our principles for the sake of dollars," he said.

Reasoner asked Tucker why "moderates like you" were never around when leadership was needed to curb violence like that at Oxford Sunday night. Tucker acknowledged that Reasoner's loaded question was an accurate estimate. Later, he said he was sure that Mississippi had some moderates, although they had not spoken up yet.

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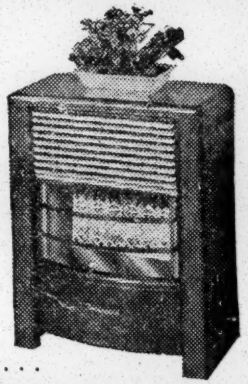

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October 24, 1962

The Rev. Duncan Hunter
District Superintendent
Huntsville District
The Methodist Church
1009 Westmoreland Avenue
Huntsville, Alabama

Dear Duncan:

Thank you for sending me the statement of the Huntsville Ministers Association. It does not go as far as you and I would like, but maybe it will be a more effective statement for that very reason. Let us know if any other ministerial groups in the state do likewise.

Looking forward to seeing you next month,

Sincerely yours,

LWD:A

Leslie W. Dunbar

PR ✓
Ret LWD

ML ✓
SB ✓

The Methodist Church
Huntsville District
1009 Westmoreland Ave.
HUNTSVILLE, ALABAMA

DUNCAN HUNTER
District Superintendent

Phone 536-1526

Oct. 16

Dear Les -

I'll not try to defend or explain the enclosed statement. It was just the best we could get and that's something.

We are sending this out widely in the state, politicians, news media etc. We are asking other ministerial groups to do something similar.

Thanks again for your help.

Sincerely,

Duncan

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October 25, 1962

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Leslie:

If it is at all possible, I should like to be present at the meeting of lawyers on November 20. I am not yet sure whether my schedule will permit me to attend.

With kind personal regards, I am

Yours very truly,

Morris

Morris B. Abram

A/w

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November 16, 1962

AIR MAIL

Mr. Leslie Dunbar,
Southern Regional Council, Inc.,
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.,
Atlanta 3, Georgia.

Dear Sir:

RHA
MA-file

I am terribly disappointed to have to write this letter, but I will not be able to attend the directors' meeting on Monday and Tuesday in Atlanta. The Court of Appeals has scheduled a case so that I must be here Monday and Tuesday to complete the printing of the record and our brief and get it filed in time. My associate in the case, a very fine lawyer, has had a heart attack and I cannot leave it to him - and there is no other way out. I have put off writing until the very last minute hoping that something would break. I had looked forward to this meeting very much.

Very truly yours,

McNeill Smith

Enc: Draft No. 777
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November 26, 1962

PR and PA LWD

RE SRC board members volunteering for speaking engagements

In response to my request at the annual meeting for volunteers for occasional speech-making chores, the following three members gave me their names. Please keep them in mind for engagements in or near their localities:

Florence Sytz, New Orleans, La.

Lee Thomas, Louisville, Ky.

Douglas Jackson, Dallas, Texas

November 27, 1962

Rabbi Charles Mantinband
P. O. Box 1326
Hattiesburg, Mississippi

Dear Rabbi:

Thank you for speaking with Rabbi Rothschild and Carroll Brooke and for writing to let me know.

It was good seeing you again. Let me ask another favor of you: it is that you every now and then drop us a line--or more than one--to let us know how you see events developing in Mississippi.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

LWD:A

Leslie W. Dunbar

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CHARLES MANTINBAND
808 MAMIE STREET

November 23, 1962

Dr. Leslie Dunbar,
Southern Regional Council,
5 Forsyth Street N.W.,
Atlanta 3, Ga.

Dear Les:

Home again. It was good to be at the SRC sessions. You are to be congratulated upon the ever-expanding scope and accomplishment of the Council. The large sums of money made available by the several Foundations for worthy and legitimate projects ~~is~~ represents most certainly a magnificent vote of confidence.

At luncheon with both Rabbi Rothschild and Rev. W. C. Brooke, I made clear the reasoning behind the work of the Nominating Committee. Both assured me that they understood why they had been removed from the Executive Committee, along with the Very Rev. Monsignor Alexander Sigur. On the other hand, I do think that a letter from you to these three might go forward, indicating the appreciation of the Council for their past service, etc.

During all the discussion on Mississippi, you may have observed that Dan Beittel and I were singularly quiet. Perhaps the less said, the better. But as the spiritual phrases it, we are "inching along", and I suspect in the right direction. Another Negro student will attempt matriculation at the University of Southern Mississippi, here in Hattiesburg, early in 1963.

Greetings.

Yours sincerely,

Rabbi

Charles Mantinband

November 28, 1962

Mr. Herbert Davidson, Publisher
THE NEWS-JOURNAL
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Herbert:

It was a real pleasure having you and Mrs. Davidson with us.

The check for your expenses and our receipt for your contribution is enclosed. Les has asked me to add his thanks for your generous gift. This very tangible vote of confidence means a great deal to us.

Look forward to seeing you in Daytona Beach on December 15.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

PA/hs

Bl file
general

November 28, 1962

Mrs. Joe R. Brewer
Box 314, Route 1
Scott, Arkansas

Dear Mrs. Brewer:

Enclosed is the check for your travel expenses. Considering that it got Mr. Brewer as well we think the amount represents quite a bargain. We thoroughly enjoyed meeting you both and hope you can arrange the same next year.

With best wishes,

b Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

PA/hs

LWD ✓
MA

Box 314, Route 1
Scott, Arkansas
November 26, 1962

Mr. Paul Anthony
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Anthony:

Enclosed is my expense account sheet for our drive to and from the SRC meeting. Our drive from Scott to Atlanta was by the shortest route, we think, and we kept accurate records of this. Since we returned by a longer route, it seemed fairer not to take this into account, but rather to double the expense of the trip to Atlanta. I am amazed to realize that the total figure is more than a plane fare would have been - and I do not know the policy of SRC about this - so submit the record for your judgement.

Both Joe and I enjoyed the meeting thoroughly and feel that we learned much from it and from the association with the interesting people there. It is good, too, to be able to visualize the offices and the staff, and we are especially grateful for your kindness to us.

Since we arrived home only Saturday, I have not yet been to the ACHR office, but I have warned them that I took copious notes and they are in for a long report. Personally I look forward to assembling and assimilating these notes, with happy memories of a stimulating experience.

Joe joins me in sending warm regards to all of you at SRC - and our gratitude.

Most sincerely,

Vivian L. Brewer

Mrs. Joe R. Brewer

November 29, 1962

Mrs. J. N. Rayzor
3207 Groveland Lane
Houston 19, Texas

Dear Mrs. Rayzor:

Thank you for your note and for your welcome and generous contribution for which we enclose our official receipt. We were sorry that you could not attend the meeting. We, too, thought it a good one and are glad that Mr. Shaw agreed.

If I read your note correctly, you refer to this meeting as your "last". We are not sure how you mean this, but we hope you do not mean it in any way. As a member of the Class of 1962 your term did end this year, but you were re-elected to membership in the Class of 1966. And we hope that we shall be seeing you many times.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Leslie W. Dunbar

LWD:A
Enclosure

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Dear Mr Dunbar,

I last so hoped to be able to attend the SRC Board meeting (my last), but complications prevented. Mr Shaw gave me a glowing account — said he believes it is the best yet & most representative attendance.

Joyce Shaw is devoting practically all her time to the success of the Houston Council on Human Relations. She has done & is doing a magnificent job. She worries lending such a fine Board

Member for S R C.

Enclosing a small check -- a little thanksgiving for all the good literature I receive from the Council

Sincerely,

Eugenia Rayzor
(Mrs J. H. Rayzor)

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November 29, 1962

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Leslie:

Thanks very much for sending to me a copy of the letter written to you by Dr. Samuel D. Proctor from Lagos, Nigeria, requesting that his regards be conveyed to me and to others.

Please let Dr. Proctor know that I appreciate being remembered by him in this connection, and I return to him my own high regards and best wishes in connection with the very important work in which he is now engaged.

Yours sincerely,

Irving Carlyle

Irving E. Carlyle

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THE FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY

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November 30, 1962

Mr. Leslie Dunbar
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta - 3, Georgia

Dear Les:

I regretted so much that it was not possible for me to attend either day of the two-day meeting in Atlanta. You will recall it was a short week because of the holiday, and I had to be out on Wednesday for personal business and I simply could not take two more days away from the University. As it was, I lost practically the whole week because of a snafu in transportation in Atlanta when I tried to come through there Tuesday night en route north. I ran into various members of the Board who were at the airport on Wednesday as I was trying to get out. I finally dropped by the office late Wednesday afternoon to say hello to you and explain my absence, but you had already left for the day. I hope all went well.

Sincerely,

John

John A. Griffin
Director

JAG/gp

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Mrs. Leslie W. Dunbar
Atlanta Ga.

Dear Mrs. Dunbar,

Thank you for your letter of information concerning membership in the Council.

For a number of years I have been a member and have appreciated the work and the association of the Council. The help I have received has been invaluable.

I wish that your fine services may continue and that through them many may find the help that is needed in the different situations of which we are a part to-day.

I regret that in my recent year my work with the National Women's Church organization in which I carry responsibility has been so heavy that I could not attend any meeting of the Council to which I was called.

With all good wishes,
Very sincerely,
Mrs. E. U. Robinson

December 6, 1962

Mr. Hodding Carter III
Delta-Democrat Times
Greenville, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Carter:

I spoke with John, but he seemed to have your time booked up and there was no chance of getting a piece of it. We do hope that when you are next in Atlanta that we may have an opportunity to get better acquainted.

In the meantime, I wonder if we could ask a favor of you. We have recently been taking a look over our press list--i.e., the papers which get our releases--and were mildly chagrined to find that in Mississippi this includes almost nobody except you. We are currently sending our stuff to your father, as editor, to your Mr. Franko, to the Jackson Advocate, the Delta Leader, and to Wilson Minor. I wonder if you would have other suggestions; e.g., would our materials be of interest to Mr. Ellis of the Clarksdale Press Register, or to Mr. DeCell of the Deer Creek Pilot. I seem to recall that some years back we decided that Hazel had problems enough without getting mail in an SRC envelope. If you think this would be a problem to anyone who otherwise would be interested, it would be easy for us to send those in a plain envelope. At any rate, we would be glad to have your advice and suggestions.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

LWD:A

Leslie W. Dunbar

New Members
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December 7, 1962

Dr. Roosevelt D. Crockett
President
Philander Smith College
Little Rock, Arkansas

Dear Dr. Crockett:

At its annual meeting in Atlanta on November 19, the Southern Regional Council elected you to membership in the Class of 1966. I have great pleasure in informing you of this.

I hope that you will find Council membership to be as satisfying and rewarding as others of us have. I believe that the Council performs an ever greater service to the region and the nation.

Enclosed with this letter are certain documents about the Council which you will want to have as a member.

I believe that you have already informally indicated that you would accept membership if elected; we would be grateful, however, if you would acknowledge this letter so that the formalities might be complete.

With every good wish, and looking forward to our association with you,

Sincerely yours,

James M. Dabbs

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December 7, 1962

Mrs. Moise Cahn
40 Versaille Boulevard
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Mrs. Cahn:

At its annual meeting in Atlanta on November 19, the Southern Regional Council elected you to membership in the Class of 1965. I have great pleasure in informing you of this.

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Dr. Edward B. Haddock
1133 West Franklin Street
Richmond 20, Virginia

Dear Dr. Haddock:

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Professor Robert J. Harris
Dept. of Political Science
Vanderbilt University
Nashville, Tenn.

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Mrs. Martin Harvey
415 North Farish Street
Jackson 2, Mississippi

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Mr. John G. Lewis
P. O. Box 2110
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

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Dr. J. Rupert Picott
316 Clay Street
Richmond, Virginia

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Mr. Moreland G. Smith
3236 Bankhead Avenue
Montgomery 6, Alabama

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Dr. William H. Townsend
507 W. 31st Street
Little Rock, Arkansas

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Mr. Nat Welch
342 Hare Avenue
Auburn, Alabama

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December 11, 1962

Dr. Bell I. Wiley
Department of History
Emory University
Atlanta 22, Georgia

Dear Bell:

You probably have already seen the letters beginning on page 24, but in case you haven't I thought you might like to have the enclosed magazine.

Sincerely yours,

Leslie W. Dunbar

LWD:A
Enclosure:
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Dear Paul,

Received a memo from Leslie about your new assignment. I hope you like it. In some ways I think it will be more challenging but perhaps more demanding.

I thought our Annual Meeting was most successful. I hope I can make each meeting in the future. Congratulations to you, Leslie and others who set up the meeting and looked after our comfort during our stay in Atlanta.

Sincerely,

Paul W.

TPA
MP-file

308 Bibb Street
Tuskegee Institute, Alabam
December 12, 1962

Dr. Leslie W. Dunbar
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Room 201
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Dr. Dunbar:

Thank you for the memorandum of December 5 informing me of the movement of Dr. Paul Rilling from the Southern Regional Council to the position of Executive Director of the Commissioner's Council on Human Relations of the District of Columbia. As you mentioned at the meeting in Atlanta recently, it seems that former workers at the Atlanta office are been assembled in the nation's capital. It is my opinion that Dr. Fleming, Dr. Routh, and Dr. Rilling will be seeing one another quite frequently. I am hoping that you will delay your departure for quite a number of years.

Best wishes for a Merry Crhistmas.

Sincerely yours,

C. G. Gomillion

C. G. Gomillion

CGG:mc

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December 17, 1962

Mr. Hodding Carter III
Editor & Publisher
The Delta Democrat-Times
Greenville, Mississippi

Dear Hodding:

Thank you for your letter. We'll follow your suggestions.

I really should not have let the Atlanta Journal talk me into reviewing that book. In fact, it is probably unwise for me to review any books in this field, unless I love them, but I am glad you agree with at least most of it.

Best wishes for the Season.

Sincerely yours,

LWDLA

Leslie W. Dunbar

HC letter to BP
for press mailing list, Miss.

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SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia

MEMORANDUM

June 13, 1962

To: Members of the Board

From: Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

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At a recent meeting of the Executive Committee, the dates, November 19 and 20 were chosen for the 1962 Annual Meeting of the Council. Details of the meeting will be sent to you later. In the meantime, please reserve these dates.

We are enclosing a resolution passed by the Executive Committee. We thought you would be interested.

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A RESOLUTION

of the

Executive Committee
Southern Regional Council

George Mitchell brought a gay heart and merry speech to scholarship. He was an executive who kept alive and quick his compassion for people. He gave himself and whatever he had to act as the tragic history of his South proposed, as his scholarship directed, and as his moral persuasions confirmed; his was no divided life.

As Executive Director of the Southern Regional Council from 1947 to 1957, George Mitchell held the Council true to the permanent interests of the region and nation. He never succumbed to the style of thinking which puts the institution ahead of its cause. He knew that his mission, during years of political passion and primitivism, was primarily to keep the Council strong in principle, and only secondarily to make it strong in popular esteem. As a result, we who administer the Council's affairs in brighter times lead an organization which has never lost its self-respect or the respect of others of good will.

George Mitchell was our fellow-worker and our mentor. He was our friend. It is to each of us a great sadness that he has gone.

James McBride Dabbs
Rufus E. Clement
Miss Josephine Wilkins
Albert W. Dent
Marion A. Wright
The Rev. W. C. Brooke
Paul R. Christopher
John A. Griffin
Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton
Rabbi Jacob Rothschild
The Rt.Rev. Msgr. Alexander Sigur
H. Franklin Williams
Stephen J. Wright
Joseph F. Haas

John H. Wheeler, Chairman

May 30, 1962

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Tuskegee Institute

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June 25, 1962

Mr. Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Anthony:

Thank you for your memorandum of June 13 informing me of the dates of the next meeting of the Council. I have placed the dates of Monday and Tuesday, November 19 and 20 on my calendar, and shall endeavor to keep them open for this meeting.

Sincerely yours,

C. G. Gomillion

C. G. Gomillion
Chairman

CGG:mc

September 20, 1962

The Honorable Dean Rusk
Secretary of State
Washington, D.C.

My dear Mr. Secretary:

On behalf of the membership of the Southern Regional Council I take this occasion to invite you to speak at the Annual Meeting in Atlanta on Monday evening, November 19, 1962.

It is our sincere hope that you can be with us as the speaker at our dinner meeting. At that time approximately one hundred and fifty distinguished Southerners concerned with civil rights will be present. We are aware of the many needs for your time and leadership. But your presence and thoughts would serve as a tremendous stimulus to these people who are concerned with this grave domestic problem.

Sincerely yours,

JMB:bp

James McBride Dabbs
President

ADDRESS OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS TO
THE SECRETARY OF STATE
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DEPARTMENT OF STATE
WASHINGTON

October 5, 1962

Dear Mr. Dabbs:

The Secretary has asked me to thank you for your kind invitation to speak at the annual meeting of the Southern Regional Council in Atlanta on November 19.

He shares the Council's continuing interest in civil rights questions and deeply regrets that his schedule for next month is already so filled that he will be unable to participate in the program. He asks, however, that I extend to you and your distinguished colleagues his best wishes for a successful meeting.

Sincerely yours,

Robert Manning

Robert J. Manning
Assistant Secretary

Mr. James McBride Dabbs, President,
Southern Regional Council, Inc.,
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.,
Atlanta 3, Georgia.

P.S. My good friend Harold Fleming asks that I send his fond regards. He says that we should meet sometime — and I hope that we will.
RJM

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-Y
-M
-W

RE: MAILING TO BOARD Monday?

Enclosures: Announcement by PA
Return sheet & stamped envelope
Proposed agenda

to be oked by LWD

Envelopes addressed and ready

Enclosed stamped & addressed return envelopes being fixed by LK

Letters to state chairmen (with cc for exec. dir.) written and ready.
Questions: Texas? not sent last year ? (Barrett is chm. Tenn. Council)

Letters to new members mimeographed, with enclosure cards, LWD statement ready; add agenda when ready

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Questions:

Should PA ask Mr. Dabbs to check on Dr. Wright Spears, Pres. of Columbia College, alternate for Rubin (who has refused)?

Letter to Red Wagner, of TVA?

See letter to Mrs. Jessie Daniel Aims
also note Edward Allison McDowell (being removed this year) biographical sketch; shouldn't people like this be made honorary life members, or Fellows or something?

Why not use occasion of honoring Mrs. Aims to honor all SRC members who have been on board long time, perhaps are also charter members? Have them stand, or something?

Ruth said some man was eliminated from Board & took it rather hard; she is trying to think of his name.

Jim E.V. Robinson
~~Hoag Hobbs~~
Bishop Hanson

SUGGESTED FELLOWS*

~~Mrs.~~ Jessie Daniel Ames
[redacted]
Leonard Haas
Dr. Gordon B. Hancock
~~Bishop~~ M. LaFayette Harris
E. W. A. [redacted]
[redacted]
[redacted]

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* Fellow: Webster's New International Dictionary

"a member of an incorporated literary or scientific society; as, a Fellow of the Royal Society; usually denoting a grade of membership higher than 'member'".

Haas

Same letter to: Looby, Nelson, Carlyle, Wheeler, Wright, Smith(J. Edwin)

cc Barrett
Braxton
add - Haas

Exec. post card w/checks
Copy attached

October 12, 1962

Mr. McNeil Smith
700 Jefferson Street Bldg.
Greensboro, North Carolina

Dear Mac:

You have already been informed of the dates of the Annual Meeting (November 19-20) and you will soon be receiving word of the program. We are writing at this time to you and the other lawyers in the Council regarding a separate matter.

As an observer of southern change, and in particular as a member of the bar, you do not need to be reminded of how often civil rights issues--and side issues--come into the courtroom or the lawyer's office. We have for a long time shared the concern which the Attorney-General recently expressed in San Francisco over the lethargy of the southern bar toward furnishing representation and counsel to defendents in unpopular causes. We don't believe that we need to detail for you the nature of the problem or its extent. We can indicate it sufficiently by noting that twice (in 1960 and again at present) the Council has been confronted immediately with the problem because of state actions against the Director of the Alabama Council on Human Relations, and through the ramifications of the Voter Education Project has struggled with it recently and anguishedly in Mississippi. Our own more or less direct involvements are, of course, but a fraction of a very large problem.

This letter is an invitation and a request that you join with the other lawyers on the Council to consider what, if anything, can be done to alert the bar of the South to its responsibilities. The Annual Meeting, as you will recall, closes with lunch on November 20. Our hope is that the lawyers present--and our further hope is that all will be present--will thereupon immediately convene themselves into a committee to discuss the issue.

We have mentioned the possibility of this committee meeting to Mr. Burke Marshall, Assistant Attorney-General in charge of Civil Rights Division, and he has assented to be present if at all possible. We feel sure that we may call in a representative of the American Civil Liberties Union, and perhaps one or two leaders of the bar who have a strong interest in the question.

For your information, we have listed (~~on the attachment~~ below) the names of the lawyers in the Council, all of whom are receiving this same invitation. Mr. Wiley Branton, Director of the Voter Education Project and himself an attorney of note, will join the deliberations, as will Mr. George E. Barrett of the Nashville bar, who is an S.R.C. staff consultant.

Will you please let us know as soon as possible whether you can be present.

With best regards,

Sincerely yours,

Joseph F. Haas
Counsel

Leslie W. Dunbar
Director

JFH/LWD:A
Enclosure

October 24, 1962

Mr. Lloyd K. Garrison
Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison
575 Madison Avenue
New York 22, New York

Dear Mr. Garrison:

You may recall that I mentioned to you when we were together in Washington an idea we had for calling together the lawyers who are members of the Southern Regional Council to discuss what might be done to alert the bar of the South to its responsibilities in civil rights cases involving unpopular defendants. Since talking with you, we have corresponded with the lawyers and are planning to meet on the afternoon of November 20th. We have in our membership an outstanding group of eight attorneys. Five of these have responded that they can be present and we have not yet heard from one of them. The five are: Messrs. John P. Nelson of New Orleans, McNeill Smith of Greensboro, N. C., John H. Wheeler of Durham, Joseph Haas of Atlanta, and Marion W. Wright, retired, of North Carolina. Wiley Branton will join the discussions of the committee, as will George Barrett of the Nashville bar, who is a staff consultant. Burke Marshall has indicated that he will attend if at all possible, and I am writing now to Mr. Pemberton of the Civil Liberties Union requesting that he, or a representative, come.

I am sure every member of this group would be delighted and honored if you found it possible to join their meeting. I noticed in the paper that you are serving with Theodore Kheel on the lawyers committee regarding the Alabama libel proceedings. It would be our hope that out of our meeting might grow a similar expression of concern among southern lawyers.

October 24, 1962

Mr. Morris B. Abram
Healey Building
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Morris:

Joe Haas and I sent the enclosed letter to the seven other (in addition to Joe) lawyer members of the Council. As you will see, it represents a desire to make a hopeful beginning toward doing something meaningful to remind the bar in the South of some of its responsibilities.

Since this was mailed out, we have heard from five of these men, four of whom have said they can be present; Marion Wright has not been heard from because he is sailing around the world on a tramp steamer, but will be back in time and undoubtedly will attend. These five plus Joe Haas give us, I think, a good group because they include several people of real distinction.

They are: McNeill Smith of Greensboro, locally prominent and the very vigorous and effective chairman of the best Advisory Committee to the Civil Rights Commission in the South and probably in the country; John Nelson of New Orleans, leading Catholic layman nationally, attorney in the Tulane desegregation suit and a number of other court suits; John Wheeler of Durham, not an active practitioner but a bank president, a member of the President's Committee on Equal Employment Opportunity, and a figure of growing importance in North Carolina politics. Irving Carlyle of Winston-Salem has a case in court which will prevent his attendance but we can count on his strong support for anything which may come out of the meeting; he is a man of considerable weight in North Carolina.

I am writing to Mr. Pemberton now to ask if either he or a representative from the Civil Liberties Union might join the group. I have also written to Lloyd Garrison because about a month ago he expressed an interest in attending, as an advisor, if his schedule would permit. As indicated in the enclosure, Burke Marshall may be on hand also.

We all wish that you could too. The committee will meet promptly after the conclusion of our Annual Meeting which ends with luncheon on November 20th.

Please let me know if it is at all possible for you to be with the group.

Best wishes.

Sincerely yours,

Leslie W. Dunbar

LWD:A
CC: George Barrett
Enclosure

October 23, 1962

Mr. John de J. Pemberton, Jr.
American Civil Liberties Union
156 Fifth Avenue
New York 10, New York

Dear Mr. Pemberton:

We are convening in Atlanta on November 20 a committee of the lawyers who are members of the Southern Regional Council to discuss what can be done to alert the bar of the South to its responsibilities in civil rights cases involving unpopular defendants. We have in our membership eight attorneys, five of whom have so far indicated they can be present. These are Messrs. Joseph Haas of Atlanta, McNeill Smith of Greensboro, North Carolina, John P. Nelson of New Orleans, John H. Wheeler of Durham, and M. A. Wright (retired) of North Carolina. Burke Marshall has agreed to be present if at all possible.

Wiley Branton, director of our Voter Education Project and a veteran of Arkansas desegregation cases, will join the deliberations, as will George E. Barrett of the Nashville bar, who is a staff consultant.

I cannot predict what may come out of this; certainly it is a beginning only. If you could find it at all possible within your schedule to join this group in its discussions we would be tremendously pleased and grateful to have you. In the event you could not come yourself, we would be glad to have a representative of the ACLU. The committee will convene promptly after the close of our Annual Meeting, which ends with lunch on November 20. I might add that you would be more than welcome to attend any of the sessions of the Annual Meeting, which begins with lunch on November 19.

With best regards,

Sincerely yours,

LWD:A

Leslie W. Dunbar

November 1, 1962

Mr. Charles Morgan, Jr.
1512 Comer Building
Birmingham 3, Alabama

Dear Chuck:

I want to congratulate you ten times over for what you are doing in the Sanders case.

If you have an extra copy of the brief, we would love to have it.

Why don't you, if you can, come over here on November 20 for a little meeting with some of your colleagues around the South? We are convening the half-dozen or so lawyers on our board for a head-knocking and soul-baring session. As to just what, if anything, can be done toward alerting the bar of the South to its responsibility in civil rights cases involving unpopular defendants. The group will include such people as Mac Smith of Greenville, Jack Nelson of New Orleans, Joe Haas of Atlanta, George Barrett of Nashville, and Wiley Branton, director of the Voter Education Project. I expect the Department of Justice to send down a representative, perhaps the ACLU also, and one or two other non-SRC lawyers may join us. The committee will convene immediately after the close of our Annual Meeting, which concludes with lunch at the Peachtree Manor Hotel on November 20. We would, of course, pay your expenses and would be delighted to have you come in for the morning or luncheon sessions of the Annual Meeting. The lawyers' meeting will be unpublicised.

Sincerely yours,

LWD:A

Leslie W. Dunbar

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November 5, 1962

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Dunbar:

Although John Pemberton will be unable to attend the November 20th meeting, to which you invited him in your October 23rd letter, he has asked that I attend in his stead. I look forward to doing so. Will you tell me where the meeting is to be held.

If I may, I would like to suggest that Charles Morgan, Jr. of Birmingham be invited also. He is working with us on a few cases, and as I learned during a recent trip to Alabama, his enthusiasm for handling civil rights cases may very well prove to be contagious in Birmingham.

Sincerely yours,

Melvin L. Wulf
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CC: George Barrett

November 7, 1962

Mr. Melvin L. Wulf
Legal Director
American Civil Liberties Union
156 Fifth Avenue
New York 10, New York

Dear Mr. Wulf:

We are delighted that you will be with us on November 20. The meeting will be held at the Peachtree Manor Hotel, corner of Peachtree Street and 6th Avenue. If you come by plane and take the airport bus, you should ride it to the Biltmore Hotel; the Peachtree Manor is a long block and a half from the Biltmore. We shall be meeting at the Peachtree Manor from 9:00 a.m. through lunch, which ought to be over about 2:00 p.m. Our intention is to assemble the lawyers immediately after lunch breaks up. If you arrive any time during the morning, please come on and have lunch with us; if you intend to arrive the 19th, I wish you would let me know so that we can arrange to see you if that is convenient.

We have already invited Chuck Morgan; have not yet heard whether or not he can attend.

With best regards,

Sincerely yours,

LWD:A

Leslie W. Dunbar

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November 8, 1962

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar
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Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Dunbar:

I probably shall come down on Monday, the 19th. I will call you.

Sincerely yours,

M. L. Wulf

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November 12, 1962

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar
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5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Les:

I will see you on the 20th of November. Please write me and tell me whether or not the meeting will be at the Peachtree Manor and at what time I should be there.

Kindest regards.

Enclosed are extra copies of pleadings in both the Sanders and Gasaway cases.

Sincerely,

Chuck

Charles Morgan, Jr.

no enclosures HT

CM:jg

enclosures.

Telephone Conversation 11/13 w/ LWD re arrangements.

10/30 - 5 yes; 1 no; 2 no reply -

MEETING OF SRC MEMBERS WHO ARE ALSO LAWYERS ON AFTERNOON OF NOV. 20, 1962

Invited:	accepted	Regrets
7. ✓ Haas, Joseph	✓	
4 ✓ Smith, Mr. Neil	✓	
Smith, J.		
Looby		
3 ✓ Nelson	✓	
✓ Carlyle no	✓	no
5 ✓ Wheeler	✓	
6 ✓ Wright	✓	
1. ✓ Barrett		
✓ Branton		

to be invited: rep. from Civil Liberties
Burke Marshall, Civil Rights Div., Justice Dept.?

others?

Garrison, ~~ACLU~~

Abram ?

✓ ~~Pemberton~~, A.C.L.U. designated Melvin L. Wulf - coming Monday

✓ Chas. Morgan, Jr., Birmingham

invite Dan Pollitt - PA call (law school rep.)

✓ Robt. Owen, Justice Dept.
Asst. to Burke Marshall

I will/will not be able to attend the special meeting for SRC lawyers to be held on the afternoon of November 20.

signed _____

I will/~~will not~~ be able to attend the special meeting for lawyers to be held on the afternoon of November 20.

signed _____

I will/~~will not~~ be able to attend the special meeting for lawyers to be held on the afternoon of November 20.

signed McNeill Smith

I will/~~will not~~ be able to attend the special meeting for lawyers to be held on the afternoon of November 20.

signed John P. Nelson Jr.

Haas

I will/~~will not~~ be able to attend the special meeting for lawyers to be held on the afternoon of November 20.

signed Joseph R. Haas

I would/~~would not~~ like to attend the Sunday evening dinner meeting for SRC new members.

Signed John P. Nelson Jr.

I will/~~will not~~ be able to attend the special meeting for lawyers to be held on the afternoon of November 20.

signed M. A. Wright

Attached: last year's mailing - 1961

√note to Mr. Dabbs reminding him of address, and we would like it written

√invite presidents of state councils (same letter as last year)
CC to executive directors of each state council
include Houston, New Orleans, Mississippi

√do not invite former members this year (exception: Jessie Daniel Ames others?

check with Anthony: notices of meeting to Parish, Brewbaker, Barrett? St. Council

√remind Rilling: annual meeting last year requested some kind of exhibit re state councils

send mimeographed memo to all new members

Mrs. Vivian Brewer
Mssrs. Dr. Crawford, Rev. Theodore R. Rev. M.D., Beittel, Brock, Gibson, McCallum, Nelson, Pitts, Scull, Secrest
~~[illegible]~~, McNeil Smith

Card enclosed ?

~~(an Assessment of the)~~

The program for ~~the annual meeting~~, November 19-20, is enclosed. We would especially like for you who are attending your first annual meeting to find it a worthwhile and even an exciting experience.

I am sending you also a memorandum of mine written better than a year ago but still expressive of my hopes. (July, 1961)

Mimeographed 10-17-62 & mailed

Although the Meeting does not begin until lunch on November 19, the staff has wondered if you might like to come in the evening before. Some of you have already expressed the desire to learn more closely of the Council's workings, and also to have an opportunity for a full exchange of ideas and questions about the current situation in the South.

If you would like, we could have dinner together on Sunday (alas!) November 18, say at about 6:30 p.m., and could talk on during the evening for as long as you care to. One or two other staff members might join me in this gathering and we feel sure some of the officers and executive committee members would also want to attend. There is a card enclosed for you to tell us whether you could or would wish to do this. If as many as four or five of you can, we shall make the arrangements. Please let us know as soon as convenient.

I and a couple of others of the staff will have to attend the Executive Committee meeting on Monday morning which precedes the opening of the Annual Meeting. Please feel free (and encouraged) to visit the office on Monday morning to talk with others of the staff who will be on hand.

Sincerely yours,

LWD

√separate personal invitation: Mrs Jessie Daniel Ames

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LESLIE W. DUNBAR,
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

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October 17, 1962

MEMO TO: Mrs. Brewer; Messrs. Beittel, Brock, Gibson, McCallum, Nelson, Pitts, Scull, Secrest, M. Smith, E. Smith
FROM: Leslie W. Dunbar, Executive Director
Re: Annual Meeting

The program for the annual meeting, November 19-20, is enclosed. We would especially like for you who are attending your first annual meeting to find it a worthwhile and even an exciting experience.

I am sending you also a memorandum of mine written better than a year ago but still expressive of my hopes.

Although the Meeting does not begin until lunch on November 19, the staff has wondered if you might like to come in the evening before. Some of you have already expressed the desire to learn more closely of the Council's workings, and also to have an opportunity for a full exchange of ideas and questions about the current situation in the South.

If you would like, we could have dinner together on Sunday (alas!), November 18, say at about 6:30, and could talk on during the evening for as long as you care to. One or two other staff members might join me in this gathering and we feel sure some of the officers and Executive Committee members would also want to attend. There is a card enclosed for you to tell us whether you could or would wish to do this. If as many as four or five of you can, we shall make the arrangements. Please let us know as soon as convenient.

I and a couple of others of the staff will have to attend the Executive Committee meeting on Monday morning which precedes the opening of the Annual Meeting. Please feel free (and encouraged) to visit the office on Monday morning to talk with others of the staff who will be on hand.

SEAFOAM BOND

October 22, 1962

Mr. John H. Wheeler
President
Mechanics and Farmers Bank
Durham, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Wheeler:

Last year at the Annual Meeting several of the Members complained that they did not have documents such as the proposed budget to study ahead of time. We would like to send it out ahead, but the problem is one of timing. The Executive Committee has first to study, alter, and approve it. To do this, with a mailing before the Annual Meeting, would mean action by the staff and Committee in September, and that's very early to be able to intelligently act on next year's expenditure.

I am writing at the suggestion of Les to let you know that, unless we hear from you to the contrary, the budget will be submitted to the Executive Committee on the morning of November 19 and to the full membership that afternoon, without having been sent out earlier.

If, however, you think it best we can circulate the budget ahead of time with a notation "subject to approval and change by the Executive Committee, prior to the Annual Meeting." If you want this done, let us know. If we don't hear from you we will assume you concur in the idea of waiting.

More will follow on Annual and Executive Committee Meetings.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

PA:mm

October 23, 1962

Mr. Irving E. Carlyle
Wachovia Bank Building
Winston-Salem 1, N. C.

Dear Mr. Carlyle:

We are deeply sorry that you will probably miss the Annual Meeting, but we know that this cannot be helped. If your trial date changes, please come; we'll be more than glad to make arrangements for you at the last minute.

We have had a good response from the lawyers, and are going ahead in arranging the meeting.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

LWD:A

Leslie W. Dunbar

WOMBLE, CARLYLE, SANDRIDGE & RICE
ATTORNEYS AND COUNSELLORS AT LAW
WACHOVIA BANK BUILDING
WINSTON-SALEM 1, N. C.

B. S. WOMBLE
I. E. CARLYLE
W. P. SANDRIDGE
WM. F. WOMBLE
LEON L. RICE, JR.
CALDER W. WOMBLE
CHAS. F. VANCE, JR.
WADE M. GALLANT, JR.
LESLIE E. BROWDER
H. GRADY BARNHILL, JR.
W. P. SANDRIDGE, JR.

TELEPHONE
AREA CODE 919
725-1311

October 17, 1962

Dr. Leslie W. Dunbar, Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Leslie:

Your letter of October 12, concerning the meeting of the lawyers to be held following the annual meeting on November 20, was received.

Unfortunately, it appears at this time that I shall not be able to attend the annual meeting this year because of an important case in which I am appearing, which has been calendared for trial in Greensboro, North Carolina, on Monday, November 19. Therefore, unless there is some unforeseen change in the plans for the trial of this case, I shall not be able to attend the annual meeting this year, and, of course, this will prevent my being present for the projective meeting of the lawyers, as mentioned in your letter of October 12. I regret this conflict.

Yours very truly,

Irving E. Carlyle

Irving E. Carlyle

IEC:BA

October 23, 1962

Mr. Harold Fleming
The Potomac Institute
1801 18th Street, N.W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Harold:

Why don't you come to the Annual Meeting? Program enclosed.

Sincerely yours,

LWD:A

Leslie W. Dunbar

PR - fyi
MA

Bethel Methodist Church

4600 Daniel Drive-Forest Acres
Columbia, S. C.

October 24, 1962

Mr. Leslie Dunbar
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth St., SW
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Les:

Thanks for the invitation to be present for the annual meeting of S.R.C. I will plan to be there. I enjoyed the experience last year.

We appreciate having you here at our seminar some weeks ago. Hopefully, much good came of the encounter.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

Fred

Fred M. Reese, Jr.

FMR:ad

CC: Mrs. A. N. Spearman

Paul, please call & will be present for Tuesday

PR ✓
MA-file

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH
HENRY G. RUARK, MINISTER
ROCKY MOUNT, N. C.

October 25, 1962

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Dunbar:

Thank you for your invitation to the Annual Meeting of the Southern Regional Council. I am very sorry that previous commitments will prevent my being able to attend.

Sincerely,

Henry G. Ruark

Henry G. Ruark

HGR/dl

October 31, 1962

Mr. George E. Barrett
Stahlman Building
Nashville, Tenn.

Dear George:

We obviously cannot rearrange the program of 100 people to suit Marshall's schedule, especially since he had told you he would keep the 20th free. If he would like to send a representative, well, fine.

Sincerely yours,

LWD:A

Leslie W. Dunbar

GEORGE E. BARRETT
ATTORNEY-AT-LAW
STAHLMAN BUILDING
PHONE 242-3569
NASHVILLE, TENN.
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October 30, 1962

Mr. Leslie Dunbar
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Les:

After talking to you last week, I called Burke Marshall and he said it would be impossible for him to be there on the afternoon of November 20th. He said he could make it on the afternoon of the 19th, but not the 20th because he has an engagement on the evening of the 20th which he must make a speech.

He said in his absence, and if we cannot change the time, that he would send John Dorr to represent him at the conference. This is somewhat of a disappointment, but you may consider the possibility, if all the people are going to be there on the 19th, of having this on the afternoon of the 19th.

Let me hear from you as soon as possible so we will know what to do.

Sincerely yours,

George

George E. Barrett

GEB:jm

did not come
panel arranged
at last minute

November 1, 1962

Mr. James Baldwin
306 West 18th Street
New York, New York

Dear Mr. Baldwin:

We are delighted that you believe you can be with us at the Council's Annual Meeting. I understand that you must first check with your agent and will let us know definitely as soon as you do.

Our Annual Meeting is a fairly informal affair, as these things go. Our membership is limited now to 85 and past experience would suggest that about 50 will be present for the dinner when you speak. What with a few spouses, staff members, state affiliate presidents, and maybe two or three guests, the total attendance may reach close to 100. We are holding the dinner this year at a good downtown restaurant and the meetings at a modest downtown hotel, this being the first year either of these things has been possible in Atlanta; we have customarily met at the Atlanta University Center.

We would like for you to speak about anything you may have in mind and for about a half hour or so. There is no need at all to have a written talk unless you wish to do so. As I said, the atmosphere is typically informal.

The dinner begins at 7:00 p.m. If you would let us know your wishes and your time of arrival, and the length of your stay, we would be most happy to meet you at the airport or other terminal, reserve a room for you, or make other arrangements you might like. We, of course, would like to meet all of your travel expenses. I am sure that I speak for all of my associates in saying that we will be greatly pleased to meet you.

Sincerely yours,

Leslie W. Dunbar

LWD:A
Enclosures:
Membership list; program

Annual meeting 1962

November 2, 1962

Mrs. Jessie Daniel Ames
The Wren's Nest
Tryon, North Carolina

Dear Mrs. Ames:

Thank you for your letter of November 1, and I see now that if I am finally to have the pleasure of meeting you I shall have to accept your invitation to sometime come by Tryon.

We shall send you the information you would like to have after the meeting.

With very best regards,

Sincerely yours,

LWD:A

Leslie W. Dunbar

1 November, 1962

My dear Mr. Dunbar:

I sincerely regret my inability to be with the members of the Southern Regional Council. It happens that I have no option in this matter. If it is consistent with the policy of the Council, I should like to have a copy of the minutes or report s of the subjects- " Report of the Voter Education Project" and the " Discussion and Evaluation of Program."

Mr. Lomax in his book " The Negro Revolt" seems to me to be somewhat more than reasonably optimistic in his opinion that all the Prima Donnas, if I may use the feminine form , of Negro organizations w ill cooperate in a spirit of brotherly love. If they do, then it is more than we have ever persuaded leaders of white organizations to do.

My interest in this plank in your platform grows out of the reaction that the white leaders of the Interracial Commission to my insistence that until the Negroes had the vote and the white primary ruled out, we were still speaking for Negroes and preserving a form of paternalism.

If you are ever near enough to Tryon and have the time, to do so, I should welcome a visit from you.

Sincerely yours,

Jessie Daniel Ames

October 22, 1962

Mrs. Jessie Daniel Ames
P. O. Box 73
Tryon, N. C.

Dear Mrs. Ames:

I would like to invite you to the Annual Meeting of the Council as a special and honored guest. We all feel that it would be particularly appropriate to have with us one who was so instrumental in the formation of the Council.

The Meeting will be held in Atlanta on November 19 and 20. The Council will be responsible for all expenses, including the expense of a traveling companion. We will send you further details about the meeting shortly. In the meantime, I very much hope you will find it possible to be with us.

Sincerely yours,

LWD:A

Leslie W. Dunbar

November 2, 1962

Mrs. Horace Johnson
2706 Collier Drive N.W.
Atlanta 18, Georgia

Dear Mildred:

I very much hope that you and Zeke will come to the Annual Meeting dinner. It will begin at 7:00 p.m. at Stouffer's (downstairs) and if you aren't there we shall all be very, very angry.

Best wishes.

Sincerely yours,

LWD:A

Leslie W. Dunbar

November 2, 1962

Col. Francis Pickens Miller
2810 P Street, N.W.
Washington 7, D. C.

Dear Colonel Miller:

Thank you for your letter. We shall miss you at the meeting, but I do well understand your inability to attend. I am just glad that you are where you are.

With best regards,

Sincerely yours,

LWD:A

Leslie W. Dunbar

FRANCIS PICKENS MILLER
2810 P STREET, N.W.
WASHINGTON 7, D.C.

October 27, 1962

Dear Leslie:

I have just received the formal notice of the Annual Meeting of the Southern Regional Council, November 19-20 in Atlanta and I regret more than I can say my inability to journey down for this meeting.

The volume of work here is so great and so demanding that I simply can not get away for extra-governmental occasions, however important the occasion may be. I am sure that you understand and forgive.

With warmest personal regards and all good wishes for the significant work you are doing, I am

Sincerely yours,

Francis

Francis P. Miller

Leslie W. Dunbar, Esq.
Southern Regional Council, Inc.,
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.,
Atlanta 3, Georgia.

November 5, 1962

The Rev. Heslip Lee
Virginia Council on Human Relations
114-B Broad-Grace Arcade Bldg.
Richmond 19, Virginia

Dear Happy:

The Annual Meeting of the Southern Regional Council will be held in Atlanta on November 19-20. Our Executive Committee has authorized me to invite each chairman of the state human relations councils to attend. In Virginia's case, I don't know whether to invite Tom Henderson or Aubrey Brown, whom I am told will be president as of November 22 or so. So I leave it up to you to pass this invitation to one or the other.

I hope very much that one will be able to attend. There needs to be close ties between SRC and the state councils. Our members will also be glad for the opportunity of getting to know you better.

A copy of the program is enclosed. You will note that there is a business session on Monday afternoon. This will be, of course, a closed meeting of the Council members. All other sessions will be open to your President, including the luncheons and the dinner, where he would be our guest.

We shall also be pleased to take care of his room expense while in Atlanta. Regrettably, we cannot assume other travel costs.

Please let me know if one can attend.

Sincerely yours,

Leslie W. Dunbar

LWD:A
Enclosures

November 9, 1962

Mrs. Austin Kimball
3131 S.W. First Avenue
Black Acres
Gainesville, Florida

Dear Mrs. Kimball:

Because of its stated policy (note the enclosed copy of a letter sent out to people who have stayed there), we wondered if you might want to reconsider staying at the Heart of Atlanta Motel. The Atlanta Cabana Motel is also easily accessible to downtown Atlanta, is nearer to the Peachtree Manor Hotel, and is also more sumptious than the Heart of Atlanta.

We will hold up making reservations for you until we have heard from you again. Please let us know yourwishes as soon as convenient.

Sincerely yours,

Montez G. Albright (Mrs.)
secretary to Mr. Dunbar

P.S. We are also enclosing a copy of a letter written by a native of Alabama (not a member of the Council) who kindly sent us the Heart of Atlanta letter and a copy of his reply to it.

BARRY BINGHAM
President

MARK F. ETHRIDGE
Vice-President

LISLE BAKER, JR.
Vice-President

WHAS INC.
LOUISVILLE 2, KENTUCKY
TEL. JUNIPER 5-2211

VICTOR A. SHOLIS
Vice-President and Director

file

November 13, 1962

Mr. Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3, Ga.

Dear Paul:

I'm afraid after all I shan't be able to make it for the annual meeting next Monday.

My mother's companion broke her wrist several weeks ago, and her replacement tells me she will have to leave at the end of this week, so with day help as a substitute, it means I'll have to stay in town for the duration of the cast.

I'm sorry to miss what I know will be as always a stimulating session.

Cordially,

Dorcas Ruthenburg

Dorcas Ruthenburg
Director of Public
Affairs for Radio

Annual Meeting

Wrote later; death in family & did not come; wired to cancel reservation

November 14, 1962

Mrs. Austin L. Kimball
3131 S.W. First Avenue
Gainesville, Florida

Dear Mrs. Kimball:

We have made reservation for you and Mr. Kimball at the Cabana Motel, Peachtree at 7th Street, and guaranteed the first night, in case you are later than 6:00 p. m. in arriving. We hope you are pleased with the accommodations there, and will look forward to seeing you on Monday. (Reservations are for Sunday and Monday nights.)

Sincerely yours,

Montez G. Albright
Secretary to Mr. Dunbar

Dr 5-5511

Mrs. Austin L. Kimball

Nov. 18 + 19

3131 S. W. First Avenue, Gainesville, Florida

Tuesday 11/12/62

Dear Mrs. Albright

What a nuisance I am. Thank-you please - no more Heart of Atlanta Motel for us. I am writing them that we are transferring our patronage to the Atlanta Cabana Motel until some change in their antiquated policy is evidenced.

Will you please make a modest twin-bed reservation for Mr. Kimball and me at Atlanta Cabana for Sunday and Monday

nights).

Thank you so much for your letter as well as all this undeserved extra service.

Faithfully yours,

Norma M. Kimball

Annual Meeting

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November 14, 1962

Mr. Gordon Hancock
P. O. Box 6056
Richmond, Virginia

Dear Dr. Hancock:

Your early morning arrival has upset our plans to meet you, since all the staff lives from five to fifteen miles from the heart of the city, and our office does not open until 9:00 a.m. I guess we office workers are just not as hardy and as accustomed to early rising as are doctors! Would you mind very much taking a taxi to the Peachtree Manor Hotel, 826 Peachtree, N.E., where a room has been reserved for you (we will let them know of your early arrival). The coffee shop or the dining room will be open for breakfast, and we will all be arriving at 9:00 or 9:30 a. m. for the executive meeting that morning. All people who are coming in either Sunday night or early Monday, and who are not involved in the morning executive meeting, have been cordially invited to come to the Council office on Monday morning to look around and talk with staff members who will be here keeping the wheels turning. So far, we think there will be about ten people who are coming in early.

We are delighted you are coming, and will look forward to seeing you.

Sincerely yours,

Montez G. Albright (Mrs.)
secretary to Mr. Dunbar

November 12, 1962

Dr. Gordon Hancock
P. O. Box 6056
Richmond, Virginia

Dear Dr. Hancock:

Some time ago I was instructed to extend to you an invitation to again attend the annual meeting. It is purely an oversight on my part that the invitation comes so late. However, we do hope you can be with us on November 18 and 19, when the meeting will be held here in Atlanta at the Peachtree Manor Hotel. An agenda of the meeting is enclosed.

If you will drop us a note saying when and how you are coming, we will make hotel reservations for you and plan to have you met. My deepest apologies for not having written you sooner. We all look forward to seeing you.

Sincerely yours,

PA:A

Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

Enclosure

AIRMAIL, SPECIAL DELIVERY

Same letter sent to:
Mrs. Brewer; Jack Nelson and Dave Scull

VIA AIR MAIL

November 14, 1962

Dr. A. D. Beittel
President
Tougaloo Southern Christian College
Tougaloo, Mississippi

Dear Dr. Beittel:

The informal affair on Sunday evening will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Branton, and will include dinner.

Leslie Dunbar and I will be at the Peachtree Manor Hotel around 6:00 p. m. to meet you and provide transportation.

Sincerely yours,

Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

PA:nm

1962 - General Board mailing: all members plus stamped ret. envelope

Southern Regional Council, Inc.

5 FORSYTH STREET, N. W. ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA

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LESLIE W. DUNBAR,
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

A Council to attain the ideals and practices of equal opportunity for all peoples in the South

To: Members of the Council
From: Paul Anthony
Re: Annual Meeting - November 19-20, 1962

The Annual Meeting will be held at the Peachtree Manor Hotel, 826 Peachtree Street, N.E., Atlanta. With the exception of the dinner on the evening of the 19th, all functions will be held at the hotel and Members will be housed there unless a preference for other accommodations is indicated.

If you travel by plane, the airport limousine will, upon request, stop at the Peachtree Manor.

The proposed agenda for the meeting is enclosed. We hope you will find it possible to arrive by mid-morning of the 19th and leave no earlier than mid-afternoon of the 20th.

At your convenience, please fill in and return the enclosed form in the stamped, addressed envelope which is provided.

We anticipate an excellent meeting and hope you will make every effort to be with us.

PA

State Council Chairmen or Presidents coming to Annual Meeting

South Carolina - Fred Reese
Georgia - Charles Demere (Atlanta)
Houston - Mrs. Shaw (or newly elected chm., Rev. Charles R. Kelly)
Tennessee - Barrett (dup., coming also as Consultant)
New Orleans - Ted Baptist (Mon. night)
Mississippi - Dr. Beittle (dup., coming also as Member)
Virginia - (Lee is deciding whether to send present chairman or incoming chairman)
Aubrey Brazon, new chm. - no reply but think he is coming

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Not coming: Ruark, North Carolina

Not heard from:

Alabama

Arkansas

Florida

Kentucky

Texas (old State)

PROPOSED AGENDA

Meeting of the Executive Committee
SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL
November 19, 1962

10:00 a. m. GENERAL SESSION

Invocation

Adoption of Agenda

Approval of Minutes of last meeting

Reading of Resolution of Tax Exemption

Proposed Budgets, 1963
Mr. Anthony

Statement by Mr. Dabbs

Other Business

EXECUTIVE SESSION
(Staff on Call)

Actions on Recommendation to Council on Confirmation of the Executive Director and Secretary-Treasurer

Other Business

12:00 Adjournment

Proposed Agenda
ANNUAL MEETING
of the
SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL
November 19-20, 1962

November 19th

10:00 a.m. Meeting of the Executive Committee
(Peachtree Manor Hotel)

12:30 p.m. Lunch and Opening Session
(Peachtree Manor Hotel)
Vice-President Josephine Wilkins presiding

2:00 - 3:30 p.m. Business Session
(Peachtree Manor Hotel)
President James M. Dabbs presiding

Report of the Executive Committee
John H. Wheeler, Chairman

Discussion

Financial Reports

Report of the Secretary-Treasurer
Mrs. Alexander

Proposed Budget, 1963
Mr. Anthony

Proposed Grants-in-Aid
Mr. Rilling

Executive Session

Confirmation of Executive Director,
Secretary-Treasurer, and Counsel

Report of Nominating Committee

Election of Officers and Members

Other Business

Reconvene in General Session for Other Business

3:30 - 5:30 p.m. <u>First Program Session</u>
Executive Committee Chairman John H. Wheeler presiding

Report of the Voter Education Project
Mr. Branton

Introduction of Staff and Remarks
Mr. Dunbar

7:00 p.m. <u>Dinner</u>
(Stouffer's Restaurant, Downstairs)
Vice-President Rufus E. Clement presiding
Panel Discussion: Prospects for the Deep South During the Next Several Years
Will Campbell, Lewis Jones, and James Silvers

<u>November 20th</u>

9:00 a.m. - 12:30 <u>Second Program Session</u>
(Peachtree Manor Hotel)
Vice-President Marion A. Wright presiding

Report from Executive Director
Mr. Dunbar

Discussion and Evaluation of Program

Other Business

1:00 p.m. <u>Lunch</u>
(Peachtree Manor Hotel)
Vice-President Albert W. Dent presiding

Presidential Address
James M. Dabbs

Adjournment

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING 29

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SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC. 29

November 19-20, 1962 15
Atlanta, Georgia 15

The Annual Meeting of the Southern Regional Council began on November 19, 1962 with an informal luncheon at 12:30 p. m. at the Peachtree Manor Hotel, Vice President Josephine Wilkins presiding.

A list of the members attending ~~the Annual Meeting~~ is attached. All members of the professional staff were present, with Mrs. Montez Albright serving as recording secretary. Other members ~~of the SRC staff~~ attended various sessions ~~of the meeting~~ as time and office duties allowed.

The business session convened at 2:00 p.m. with President James M. Dabbs presiding.

The report of the Executive Committee ~~to the Council~~ was given by the Chairman, Mr. John H. Wheeler. Following ~~the report and a~~ discussion ~~of it~~, it was moved, seconded, and unanimously adopted: That the report of the Executive Committee be accepted as given (Attachment A).

It was moved, seconded, and adopted unanimously: that the Council as a whole ~~take final~~ act~~ion~~ ~~regarding some~~ recognition of the past service and dedication of George Mitchell.

The Financial Report was given jointly by Mr. Anthony and Mrs. Alexander (attachment B). Following ~~the report there was a period of questions and discussion, both on items under the general operations budget and the proposed project expenditures. Questions on the proposed Grants-in-Aid were directed to Mr. Rilling.~~

It was moved, seconded, and adopted unanimously: that the budget be approved on the following conditions: 1) that the Executive Committee review the budget periodically and take such steps as ~~MAXXARRARXTOXRRXNRRRXXARXXTOXRRRXRRRRAMXRRRA~~ may appear to be necessary to keep program operations within the funds available; and 2) that the Grants-in-Aid schedule not be reduced below the $52,000 which now seems to be available for this purpose.

Executive Session

At 3:25 p. m. the Council began ~~an~~ executive session, with the staff on call.

~~In regard to the~~ On recommendation of the Executive Committee ~~on confirmation of the Executive Director, the Secretary Treasurer, and the Counsel, each was considered separately.~~

It was moved, seconded, and approved unanimously: that Leslie W. Dunbar be confirmed as Executive Director.

It was moved, seconded, and approved unanimously: that Mrs. Ruth Alexander be continued as Secretary-Treasurer.

It was moved, seconded, and approved unanimously: that Mr. Joseph F. Haas be retained as Counsel.

Nominating Committee Report

The report of the Nominating Committee was given by Dr. Luther H. Foster for the absent chairman, Mr. I. E. Carlyle. Mr. Dabbs asked that Dr. Hancock take the chair, since his ~~name was~~ would be included in the nominations.

It was moved seconded, and approved unanimously: that the report of the Nominating Committee be accepted (Attachment C).

Mr. Dabbs then resumed the chair and reported that during ~~the Ex~~ the Executive Committee session that morning the Committee had authorized the appointment of a special committee to ~~look around for~~ canvass possibilities for a new president of the Council ~~for nomination next year. This committee will~~ and to report its findings to the Nominating Committee for its consideration. The members appointed are: M. A. Wright, chairman, with Miss Josephine Wilkins and Dr. S. J. Wright.

Mr. Dabbs then explained the action of the Executive Committee in recommending the activation of Article III of the By-Laws for the purpose of awarding honorary Fellowships to the Council, the initial small group to be named for life membership. He said the persons named are a distinguished group of people who have in the past been very helpful to the Council and whose assistance is needed now in furthering Council work.

The following were approved unanimously for Life Fellows of the Council: Mrs. Jessie Daniel Ames, Mr. Leonard Haas, Bishop LaFayette Harris, Dr. Gordon Hancock, and Dr. Edw. A. McDowell.

It was moved, seconded, and approved unanimously: that in presenting ~~any~~ future nominations for Life Fellows, members should present names along with biographical sketch some time in advance of the Annual Meeting to the Executive Committee for consideration and recommendation.

It was moved, seconded, and approved: that a scroll be presented to each of these Life Fellows; a citation accompanying the scroll to give reasons for nomination. Persons so nominated shall not have the right to vote.

Some concern was expressed that State Council groups were not represented on the Nominating Committee and it was stated that they feel they deserve ~~to have~~ some consultation on persons to be nominated from their areas before ~~any~~ action is taken.

Mr. Dabbs said that each member of the Council is written and asked to suggest names for the guidance of the Nominating Committee. He added that the concern seemed to be that state council people have ~~some~~ prior notice of names to be submitted ~~in order to consider the names of persons~~ from their areas. He asked that it be recorded and passed along to the new Nominating Committee for their consideration ~~in~~ the way ~~that~~ future nominations be handled. ~~The state council representatives were reminded that they~~ are not affiliates of the Council but are autonomous organizations.

A request was made that the report of the Nominating Committee be mimeographed and included in the kit given out at the beginning of each meeting.

It was moved, seconded, and approved: <u>that the Nominating Committee be requested to make the nominations before one session of the Council and that voting on the nominations be done at a subsequent session</u>.

General Session

The ~~new~~ members of the Executive Committee were introduced by Mr. Dunbar: ~~Mr.~~ James M. Dabbs, ~~Dr.~~ Rufus Clement, ~~Dr.~~ A. W. Dent, Miss Josephine Wilkins, M. A. Wright, Paul Christopher, John Griffin, Mrs. Grace Hamilton, John A. Nelson, John H. Wheeler, ~~Dr.~~ Raymond Wheeler, H. Franklin Williams, ~~Mr.~~ S. J. Wright, Thomas W. Young and legal counsel, Joseph F. Hass.

First Program Session

Mr. John H. Wheeler, chairman of the Executive Committee, presided. Mr. Wiley A. Branton, director of the Voter Education Project, gave a lively and detailed report of his project.

Voter Education Project

Tax exemption was approved by the Internal Revenue and received in March of 1962; at that time the project officially began. There are five cooperating agencies: N.A.A.C.P., Southern Christian Leadership Conference, C.O.R.E., National Urban League, and the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee. All are working in the southern states; none are working in border states: Alabama, Mississippi, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia and East Texas (because it has similar problems). The areas in these 11 states where programs are now going on are ~~given on the attached~~ available on request (Attachment D).

We began with a 90-day crash program of pilot projects to decide how the program would be conducted on a long-range basis. We considered operating in peripheral areas where we could come up with the most voters for money spent, but felt we should conduct a South-wide program and carry on some program in each state. We have

neither the time nor the money to work everywhere. What we have done is select target areas in each state--the die-hard resistance areas--and these furnish us with affidavits for suits designed to knock out resistance.

We have received the following grants:

$250,000 Taconic, for a two yr. period
$75,000- Marshall Field, 1 year program
$124,000- Stern Family Fund for 2 year program
$200- Amalgamated Clothing Union (unsolicited)

We have $33,000 as a discretionary fund; the remaining $100,000 has been distributed among the 11 states in proportion to the unregistered Negro voters eligible to vote in those states. Those programs not already started will begin by March 31st. Those not assigned during the first year will be assigned during the second year. Some of the areas where programs are now going on have received appropriations for the second year. The program should go through the calendar year 1964. We are obligated to publish in some form our findings because this is a research project.

Mr. Branton also discussed the harrassment, arrests, and intimidation of the voter education workers, particularly in Mississippi.

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XXXXXX Fellowship of the Concerned

Mrs. M. E. Tilly, director of Women's Work for the Council, gave a ~~interesting~~ report of the meeting of the Fellowship of the Concerned and passed around copies of the Workbook for Council members to examine. Present were

The Fellowship of the Concerned is made up of southern women concerned about what is happening and how it affects the nation and the world. The various denominations send names of women who are active in the field of social action, and our invitation list is made up from these names. This year's meeting was held October 30-31. ~~We had~~ 140 women, from 80 ~~towns~~ cities in 14 southern states.

The theme of our meeting, "In Our Hands," was taken from a 1955 article in Colliers, by William L. Lawrence.

> In short, man is on the eve of the era in which he will be able to rebuild his world "nearer to the heart's desire" only if he maintains peace with his fellowman.

We considered two things: the church and housing. The church never moves until the climate of opinion is such that it is comfortable to move. The church is running away from a challenge by moving out of communities where Negroes want to join. Our overhead boards make some great statements, but our local churches do not know about them.

Housing is the key to many things: integrated schools, churches, jobs, etc. In sorrow some of the women declared the failure of their churches and about 80% declared they were going back to their churches and let them know the promouncements of our overhead bodies.

The Council adjourned at 6:00 p. m. ~~after an announcement~~ of the dinner meeting at Stouffer's Restaurant at 7:00 p.m.

Second Program Session, November 20, 1962

The meeting was called to order at 9:15 a. m. with ~~Dr.~~ Dent presiding.

Mr. Dunbar presented ~~the~~ Report ~~of the~~ Executive Director. ~~(to be mimeographed and mailed out in full later).~~

The Report of the Executive Director
(Excerpts and Condensations)

Organizationally, SRC has been kept this past year as it has been for several years. ~~We have~~ 20 fulltime persons on the staff and one part-time mailroom worker; we also have Mr. Brewbaker working half-time. There are four more people who have some connection from time to time. ~~I have a sense of pride in what we manage to do with our resources.~~ ~~Our~~ budget ~~is $ 555,181.00 without VEP, and it~~ has been kept to ~~this~~ level for the last several years. ~~We do~~ get ~~the~~ our resources a considerable amount of program. ~~(For instance, our budget is about one third the annual budget of CORE.)~~

On the one hand, the Council is a committed organization (through VEP we are engaged publicly in programs of activity that are bound to draw attention), and on the other hand we have boldly ~~xxxxxxxxxxx~~ claimed for our publications objectivity. We have got away with this and it has taken some doing.

Future Projects

Book: Ben Muse is writing for us a book which will be an SRC publication and a political history of the ten years since the Supreme Court's decision. It will be confined to school desegregation but will deal with other movements as they become background. A contract has been signed with Viking Press with publication deadline of May 17, 1964.

International City Managers Association: By request we are preparing for them a study on the whole problem of racial tension as it presents itself to administrators: housing, employment, This is not for public distribution but will go only to members ~~of~~ and important administrators over the country. We are doing the part on the South, and the Potomac Institute is doing this jointly with us.

Study on Tokenism: This is a research project in school desegregation which will attempt to consider what has been learned, the problems encountered, and if and how these have been resolved. Several good friends of the Council are working on this: C. H. Parrish, C. W. Foster (legal interpretation), Dr. Robert Coles (insights); the present writing and thinking responsibility is with Kenneth Morland.

Rural Program: We have a program to try to reach rural people carried on jointly with the National Council of Churches, through Will Campbell's office. The Rev. Elbert Jeans has been on the staff since last Summer and his assignment is to attempt to bring some courage and conviction to rural ministers in the deep south states. We have another program

prospects within the deep South. The
Board consisted of Mr Will Campbell
treas., the Revn. Joseph treas., the
James Silver treas. Vice Presidents
Rufus E. Clement president.

in Alabama about which I would prefer not to give details at this time.

Three years ago we had to acknowledge to ourselves that gains were scant. Today we do have to recognize that in the last three years many things have happened and many gains have been registered. In the last 18 months, the Federal Government has become a force in desegregation. We are in a much different situation and one in which we have to define our way. I think it is worth pausing a moment and that there is great merit in finding organizational outlets that permit expression of many and diverse programs.

The staff informed the Executive Committee of its desire to undertake a thorough review and evaluation of program, to which the Executive Committee ~~gave~~ its hearty approval. The staff has asked Chairman Wheeler to appoint a subcommittee of the Executive Committee, and Mr. Dabbs to appoint a subcommittee of the Council. ~~Our~~ plan is to submit to the Executive Committee some time next Spring ~~our paper~~. If ~~it is~~ approved, ~~we intend to~~ submit ~~it~~ to ~~you~~ ~~at~~ the next annual meeting ~~the program review for your~~ approval. ~~We shall~~ be writing to each ~~of you as an individual~~ for ~~your~~ advice. ~~It is good for any organization to step back and take a good look at itself.~~

Suggestions on Program from the floor:

1) that the staff give more leadership to state councils in suggesting ways they may do outstanding jobs, particularly on ways to draw people in and make them feel an involvement. New South could do more ~~to embellish this image. More information on boycotts needed, with a staff person as resource.~~

2) that a study be made on what makes Mississippi Mississippi, ~~with a sociologist, and anthropologist, news media, etc.~~, and the study published, with implications for the entire southern region.

3) that SRC take more responsibility in the hiring of executive directors of the state organizations~~, chosen by SRC, supported by SRC, and controlled by SRC.~~

4) that some means be devised by the staff to get through its message in ways which can be popularized: literature, poetry, theatre, sketches over radio and TV. ~~Humor can penetrate where score will not.~~

5) that some means be devised to encourage isolated individuals so they can keep up their stamina and faith.

6) that SRC consider getting together groups of social workers in the South for ~~discussion, as the lawyers' meeting planned this year.~~

7) that the Executive Committee give consideration to ~~either~~ holding two meetings each year or extending the Fall meeting another day so that consideration can be given on how to implement the suggestions made and how to find answers to the questions asked.

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8) that consideration be given to working with the press on a man-to-man basis before we reach the stage of having institutes, plays, and dramas. It is only through an enlightened press that an atmosphere can be created in which politicians can feel free to take steps ~~(example, Ralph McGill in Georgia)~~.

9) that SRC publish, either ~~on mimeographed sheet~~ specifically or in New South, a periodic "box score" or progress in human relations in the South.

Two special reports from staff members were heard. One was from Mr. Muse on his visit to American installations in Germany on behalf of the President's Committee on Equal Opportunity in the Armed Forces.

~~Report from Ben~~ Mr. Muse, ~~who~~ is one of seven members of the Committee, was requested by the ~~President's~~ Committee to ~~use part of his vacation in Europe to~~ visit American installations in Germany and report his findings. ~~Mr. Muse told of these visits and said he was tremendously~~ impressed with the obvious success of the Negro NCO. He found there are more Negro/NCS's in proportion to total number of personnel. than white (20% Negro NCOs; Negroes represent 15% of total personnel.) In sports the Negro is over-represented proportionately in every case. In most sporting events ~~they were represented~~ there is often a majority of Negroes when they represent only 15% of the battalion. He noted there is no lack of team spirit or spectator interest. "This is the home team," he was told.

Mr. Muse thought it interesting to note the effect of discipline on desegregation and also what can be done when people are not guided in their behavior by local custom and citizens counsels. He said it was a very gratifying and informative experience to see maximum use and utilization of manpower, and he thought the armed forces were setting the pace in a great moral achievement.

The second was from Mr. Paul Rilling, on the General Health of the State Councils. ~~Paul Rilling~~

~~State Councils are showing increased skill in obtaining foundation support for themselves, in addition to grants from SRC.~~ Total membership now stands at about 6,500, which is about 1,000 more than last year and 2,000 more than two years ago. ~~There has been expansion of staff in Arkansas, Georgia, and South Carolina, with more professionals at work (South Carolina has two and a half)~~ and ~~Virginia, with two or more professionals at work (South Carolina has two and a half)~~. The prennial problem is how to maintain, ~~as a biracial group,~~ a program holding and attracting young Negro professional and business men, while at the same time holding the concerned white people who are ~~afraid of~~ militant tactics. The councils are primarily an urban type movement; we need to consider how they ~~councils~~ can be effective in rural areas.

He reported, Arkansas ~~Arkansas~~ has recently completed a successful Voter Education Project; it also made a real contribution in increasing unity in the Negro organizations in the city of Little Rock. Throughout, he said, he noted,

Georgia staff has been of great value in the Albany situation; there are few persons that have been able to work so effectively with Negroes, whites, and the power structure.

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Mr. Joseph Haas suggested working with the press on a person to person basis, since the press (for example, Ralph McGill and ~~Jack~~ Patterson who were so effective in Atlanta before the school desegregation and during the reapportionment arguments) could be so very effective in any given area in creating an atmosphere in which politicians can feel free to take steps.

Rabbi Mantinband suggested humor as a means or effective action: institutes, dramas, from the floor.

Dr. Clement suggested a box score in the field of human relations to be sent out regularly. This could be in New South, or could be a mimeographed sheet containing the pros and cons on progress or lack of progress in the South in the human relations field.

Dr. Dent announced that this ended the program discussion. ~~the basic questions of which seemed to be regarding organization of SRC and particularly in relation to the State Councils~~. He reminded the group that the state ~~organizations~~ are ~~autonomous, based on the thinking of Howard Odum that there is no monolithic south but that we vary in our concerns from place to place. The SRC has never taken the position that these were~~ branches of the SRC. ~~They have the privilege of applying for a grant in aid for~~ support of their work. This establishes a very different pattern of organization from what might be implied from the remarks made today by the state council representatives. not

I did not put this in, but think it good. Also, I can add excerpts from evening program Silver, Jones, Campbell.

Dr. Dent continued by saying that we do not know the answers to many of the questions posed ~~by the group~~. SRC can try to find ways of approaching the ~~types of~~ problems which confront us and do what we can about them. He said ~~he was not always sure that we do what we can,~~ that it is important to look for new techniques and to think about these problems. He thought it was ~~more~~ most important for us to do what we know how to do.

We are not concerned for equal opportunity ~~for~~ and equal protection for Negroes, but for ALL of the people of the South. Our concern must be much broader; it would be a serious mistake to think only of educating the Negroes to vote and to use the ballot. We must think and work for ALL citizens to vote and to know what they are voting for.

Dr. Hancock read a Resolution he had been requested to prepare on Dr. P. Bernard Young, Sr. (attached)

The motion to adopt the Resolution as read was voted unanimously; the secretary was directed to send a copy to the family. The chairman requested a short period of silence in commemoration.

Miss Wilkins read a Resolution (prepared by Fred Routh) on Dr. Mitchell (attached). The motion to adopt was voted unanimously; a copy and a warm personal letter is to be sent to Mrs. Mitchell. A short period of silence in commemoration.

North Carolina had several conferences with the governor of North Carolina looking toward more appointments of Negroes.

South Carolina has a state man who is doing a sort of Ben Muse effort.

Tennessee held several fair employment workshops, with participation by government and Fisk University. It is helping local groups get data on unemployment.

Several of the councils are working with youth: South Carolina has a statewide college group; Virginia has youth groups at high school, college, and University (of Virginia) levels.

Florida is without professional staff and faced several financial crises; Louisiana and Mississippi have no prefessional staff and are just getting started.

Resolutions

It was moved, seconded, and voted unanimously to adopt the Resolution (prepared by Dr. Hancock) on Dr. P. Bernard Young, Sr. (Attachment E). D?

It was moved, seconded, and voted unanimously to adopt the Resolution ~~(prepared by Fred Routh)~~ on Dr. George E. Mitchell (Attachment F). E?

It was moved, seconded, and voted unanimously to adopt the Resolution on Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt (Attachment G). F?

After each Resolution, the Chairman requested a short period of silent commemoration for these friends of civil rights. The secretary was instructed to send a copy of each resolution to the family with a personal letter.

The group expressed sincere appreciation and thanks to Paul Anthony for making the arrangements for the meeting.

The staff was directed to prepare letters of appreciation to the Peachtree Manor Hotel and to Stouffer's Restaurant.

It was moved, seconded, and approved: that President Dabbs appoint a committee to recommend an ~~permanent~~ appropriate George Mitchell Award.

The Council adjourned at 12:30 p. m., to reconvene for luncheon and the President's Address (reprinted in New South, ~~edition~~ 1962). Vice President Tom A Wright presided.

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INFORMATION FOR INTRODUCTION OF PANELISTS

Rev.
Will Campbell, associate executive director, Dept. of Racial and Cultural Relations, Nat'l Council of Churches with offices in Nashville, Tenn. A speaker and writer of note, author of numerous articles, and recent book, Race and the Renewal of the Church, October, 1962, Westminster Press. Formerly Director of Religious Activities, University of Mississippi.

Dr.
Lewis Wade Jones
Has done scholarly research: "The Influence of Student Demonstrations on Southern Negro Colleges", "Education and the Social Readiness of College Students", "Cold Rebellion: The Revolt of the Southern Oligarchy"

Dr.
James Wesley Silver, professor of the University of Mississippi who has been quoted in the news media recently. Ford Foundation Scholarship, Harvard University

Author: Edmund Pendleton Gaines: Frontier General, 1949; Confederate Morale and Church Propaganda, 1957; A Life for the Confederacy, 1959; A Surgeon's Recollections, 1960; Mississippi in the Confederacy, 1961. Contributor to numerous historical journals and Dictionary of American History.

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The family of

Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt

deeply appreciates your kind expression

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RESOLUTION

The Members of the Southern Regional Council, meeting in annual session in Atlanta on November 19, 1962, note with sorrow and regret the recent loss to the world of Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt.

No American in this century has made so great a contribution to the cause of equality and human dignity. Mrs. Roosevelt abhorred any form of racial or religious prejudice. For over thirty years she labored unceasingly against intolerance and injustice: in the South, in the nation, throughout the world. The Universal Declaration on Human Rights of the United Nations is a lasting memorial to her concern for man.

Mrs. Roosevelt was a strong ally of those Southerners who are striving for the elimination of discrimination and segregation in the South. She will be sorely missed.

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Attachment D

RESOLUTION

The ship sailing out of the harbor bound for distant shores is soon lost to view beyond the horizon, but it sails on. The sun which so recently shone in its meridian splendour is so soon hidden behind the hills of the solemn west, but it shines on. So those we love and lose a while live on in that Great Beyond and in the labours and in the memories of their comrades in the great struggle to make this a better world. So lives Dr. P. Bernard Young, whose recent passing fills us with profound sorrow and with revential concern. Dr. Young was one of the moving and effective figures who helped to shape events which surrounded the genesis of our great Southern Regional Council.

He was chairman of the historic Durham Conference which eventuated into the Atlanta and Richmond Conferences which eventuated into the Southern Regional Council. Without the great influence of Dr. Young and his ably edited Journal & Guide, the Durham Conference would not have come to pass. This Council will remember Dr. Young with a reverential gratitude born of the knowledge that in him we have lost one of our illustrious founders and stalwart supporters.

Be it resolved that this Council, in annual session assembled on November 20, 1962, subscribe the sentiments as our humble but grateful tribute to him who was in spirit and in deed our great benefactor; and that a copy of this resolution be tendered the family.

Resolution?
J. Wilkins

The Family of the late

Plummer Bernard Young, Sr.

acknowledges with grateful appreciation

your kind expression of sympathy

in their bereavement

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P B YOUNG SR, PUBLISHER OF JOURNAL AND GUIDE FOR OVER 50 YEARS DIED TUESDAY NIGHT. FUNERAL SATURDAY NOON AT GRACE EPISCOPAL CHURCH. FAMILY REQUESTS FRIENDS OMIT FLOWERS AND SUGGESTS INSTEAD CONTRIBUTIONS TO CAMP ELEANOR YOUNG

MRS JOSEPHINE M YOUNG.

December 7, 1962

Mrs. Josephine M. Young
c/o Mr. Thomas W. Young
719 E. Olney Road
Norfolk, Virginia

Dear Mrs. Young:

I have the honor of transmitting the enclosed Resolution passed by the Southern Regional Council at its Annual Meeting on November 20th.

With best regards,

Sincerely yours,

LWD:A

Leslie W. Dunbar

attachment E

RESOLUTION

The Southern Regional Council, at annual meeting assembled on November 20, 1962, pauses in its deliberations to pay special tribute to the memory of George Sinclair Mitchell and to his years of devoted and inspiring leadership of this body.

The South and the nation are richer because of his many contributions to a fuller recognition of the dignity of all men.

He was prophet and poet, and more; he was a creative, imaginative man who saw a vision of a more democratic South wherein the false barriers of the past would no longer hinder any man from attaining a good education, a rewarding job, and a decent home.

We are all poorer at his loss. But this Council and the work it does is a living testimony to him. So long as men strive for freedom, so long as they revere liberty, the name of George Mitchell and the memory of the man will never die.

ACTIONS TAKEN AT 1962 ANNUAL MEETING

Executive Committee Meeting, Morning of Nov. 19, 1962

Adoption of Agenda for meeting

Approval of Minutes of last meeting

Reading of Resolution of Tax Exemption: Dunbar

Re overhead charged for two projects, VEP and SLP, Wright proposed a Resolution of consesnus of exec. committee that staff maintain observation of actual expenses incurred because of VEP so as to justify in the future a more realistic appraisal of the actual expenses and, if needed, a revision of overhead charged to VEP.

Adoption of Budget: Motion by Dent seconded by M. A. Wright: that the proposed budget be approved on the following conditions: 1) that the grants-in-aid program not be altered; 2) that the Executive Committee review the budget periodically and take such steps as may appear to be necessary from time to time to make adjustments in the budget to keep the program operations within the funds available.

Motion by Brooke; seconded by S. J. Wright:
that the Executive Committee direct the staff to examine the overhead projects from time to time and report back in the hope that a more realistic overhead figure may be reached.

Motion by M. A. Wright; seconded
that the chairman of the Executive Committee appoint a committee of three from the Executive Committee to submit to the Nominating Committee its recommendations for the office of President.

Committee: appointed by Chairman Wheeler

Marion A. Wright, chairman
Miss Josephine Wilkins
Dr. Stephen J. Wright

Fellows:

Motion by Brooke: that the SRC staff set up classifications of Fellows for future use, with "lifetime fellows" as a designation for honorary members; and that this be accompanied by an expression of appreciation for all that they have done--perhaps in the form of a scroll suitable for framing.

Motion by M. A. Wright ; seconded

that staff be requested to report on any change in the By-Laws that may be necessary for classification of Fellows as they may see fit.

Names of Fellows selected at this meeting:

Mrs. Jessie Daniel Ames

Mr. Leonard Haas

(over)

Dr. Gordon Hancock Bishop LaFayette Harris
Dr. McDowell

Motion by Dent: second

that with enthusiastic appreciation for services and leadership, we express our unanimous decision to recommend to the Council meeting the re-election of the Executive Director and the Secretary-Treasurer.

It was suggested that a committee be appointed to draft and to then submit to the Executive Committee in January a policy statement on participation of SRC staff members on individual basis in demonstrations which involve their personal convictions. No final action was taken, and no policy was set at this time.

Afternoon session: Nov. 19

Motion by Wheeler, seconded by Dabbs
that the report of the Executive Committee be accepted as given.

Motion by S. J. Wright; seconded
that written resolutions be made to Stouffer's and the Peachtree Manor Hotel commending them for their policies.

Motion by Grace Hamilton; seconded by Dabbs
that the Council as a whole take final action regarding some recognition of the past service and dedication of George Mitchell.

Motion by Grace Hamilton; ~~seconded~~
that the budget as proposed be adopted

Here it was noted that the Executive Committee this morning approved the budget with the provision that the grants-in-aid program funds would not be subject to revision.

In September Executive Committee the motion by which the Executive Committee approved the Grants-in-aid program stated a provision that the minutes should reflect that the Executive Committee, when it approved the grants-in-aid program, did so with the recognition that it might be necessary to adjust the total according to the amounts of funds available.

Mrs. Hamilton withdrew her Motion.
Motion by Dent; seconded by Mrs. Styz (amendment to action of morning executive session)
1) that the Exec Comm. review the budget periodically and take such steps as may be necessary to make adjustments in the budget to keep operations within the funds available.
2) that the grants-in-aid program not be reduced below the $52,000 figure.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: 3:25 p.m.

Members only; staff and visitors left the meeting

Re-election of Executive Director, Secretary-Treasurer, and Counsel. It was decided to consider each separately.

Motion by Wilkins: that Leslie W. Dunbar be continued as executive director. Approved unanimously.

Motion by (Stewart I think) : that Mrs. Ruth House Alexander be continued as Secretary-Treasurer. Approved unanimously.

Motion by : that Joseph Haas be retained as Counsel. Approved unanimously.

Nominating Committee Report: given by Dr. Luther Foster for the absent Chairman, Mr. Carlyle. Mr. Dabbs asked that Dr. Hancock take the chair, since his name was included in the nominations.

Motion: that the report of the Nominating Committee be accepted unanimously. The motion passed.

Mr. Dabbs then resumed the chair and reported that during the Executive Committee session that morning, the Executive Committee had authorized appointment of a special committee to look around for a new president of the Council for nomination next year. This committee will report its findings to the Nominating Committee. The members appointed are: M. A. Wright, chairman; Miss Josephine Wilkins; Dr. S. J. Wright.

Mr. Dabbs then explained the action of the Executive Committee in recommending the activation of Article III of the By-Laws for the purpose of awarding honorary Fellowships of the Council. The initial small group to be named for life membership. These are a distinguished group of people who have in the past been very helpful to the Council and whose assistance is needed now in furthering Council work. The five names were read and approved unanimously. Motion by M. A. Wright, seconded by Hamilton.

Mr. Stewart requested permission to add to the list the name of Dr. Otis Duncan. The chair ruled that no further nominations be accepted at this time, but that all names to be submitted by members should be submitted some months in advance for consideration of the nominating committee and each anme submitted should be accompanied by biographical information. General consensus seemed to be that all names submitted should be very carefully screened, and should be considered in advance rather than nominated from the floor at the time of elections.

Motion by Dent: that in presenting any future nominations for life fellows, members should present names along with biographical sketch some time in advance of annual meeting to the Executive Committee for consideration and recommendation.

Motion by M. A. Wright: that a Scroll be presented to each of these life fellows; a citation accompaning the Scroll giving reasons for nomination. Persons ~~xxxxxxxxx~~ so nominated shall not have the right to vote.

Some concern was expressed that State Council groups were not represented on the Nominating Committee and it was stated that they feel they deserve to have some consultation on persons to be nominated from their areas before any action is taken. (Beckwith, with members from Virginia)

Dabbs: Every member of the Council is written and asked to suggest names. The concern seems to be that state council people have some prior notice of names to be submitted in order to consider the names of persons from their area. He asked that it be recorded and be passed along to the new Nominating Committee for their consideration in the ways that nominations be handled.

Dent: In further consideration of the motion to have a committee to look for a new president, it seems to me the best thing we can do for the Council is to ask that Mr. Dabbs serve again.

Motion: that the wording of the motion setting up a sub-committee of the Executive Committee to look for a new president be changed and the word "new" omitted; the motion to read "to consider looking into the matter of a president one year hence".

White: seems to me this action denies a part of the duties of the Nominating Committee and also the responsibility of the members of the Council in suggesting names for consideration.

Hamilton: M Substitute motion: (later withdrawn)
The the Nominating Committee be given the responsibility of requesting the advise of the Executive Committee for filling vacancies in the officers of the Council.

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Wheeler: Executive Committee had in mind merely trying to facilitate this matter and give a year to work on it. Every member knows the names of the committee members and to whom they should address their suggestions. ~~We can~~ The safeguard was that this committee would report to the Nominating Committee and to no one else.

Staff & visitors invited to return.

Young: Could the Nominating Committee report be put in writing and included in the kit given out at the beginning of each meeting?

Motion by Beckwith: that the Nominating Committee be requested to make the nominations before one session of the Council and that voting on the nominations be done at a subsequent session.

The new members of the Executive Committee were introduced: (by Mr. Dunbar)

Dr. Rufus Clement, President of Atlanta University and one of incorporators of SRC. (not present at that time)

Dr. A. W. Dent, President of Dillard University, New Orleans

Miss Josephine Wilkins

Mr. M. A. Wright, five president, former president, lawyer

The chairman requested the secretary to read the motion passed at the Executive Committee meeting; it was read as follows:

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Paul Christopher, regional director, AFL-CIO for Kentucky-Tennessee

John Griffin, Florida State University

Mrs. Grace Hamilton, Atlanta; former director Urban League, consultant on community affairs for YWCA

Nelson, John, Lawyer from New Orleans; has recently been arguing case in Supreme Court on sit-ins, and the Tulane case.

Wheeler, John

Wheeler, Raymond, physician from Charlotte, N. C.

H. Franklyb Williams, vice president of University of Miami

Dr. S. J. Wright, president of Fisk University

Thos. W. Young, editor and publisher, Norfolk Journal and Guide

First Program Session: John Wheeler presiding

Report of the Voters Education Project, by Wiley A. Branton, director.

Report of the Fellowship of the Concerned, by Mrs. M. E. Tilly

Adjournment at ~~5~~ 6:00 p.m. Announcement of dinner meeting at Stouffer's Restaurant at 7:00 p.m.

Nov. 20 - Called to order at 9:15 a. m., Dr. Dent presiding

Report of the Executive Committee, by Chairman John Wheeler

Report of the Executive Director: Mr. Dunbar

Report of the General Health of the State Councils: Mr. Rilling

Called attention to the display prepared by Miss Marge Manderson, his administrative secretary, and noted that the Houston Council had brought a small display of its own.

Report on desegregation of military establishments in Germany: Mr. Muse

Lewis Jones said he thought this body should thank Mr. Rilling for his services.

Mr. Dunbar continued with his report:

Questions, comments and advise was requested from those present.

Dr. Stephen J. Wright made the following program suggestion: an anylytical study be made to see what has happened in Mississippi during the past ten years, what the effects have been and what the consequences will be for the future. He had in mind research by a sociologist (someone like Guy Johnson), and anthropoligist, and some member of the news media--the report to be published with its implications for the entire southern region.

(In this connection he mentioned an article by Ralph McGill in the Saturday Review.)

The representative of the Alabama Council said he thought Dr. Wright could save a little of his worry for Alabama.

Mr. Dabbs stated that 10 years was not far enough back to find out why Mississippi is the way it is today. He said South Carolina fell into sin (adopting slavery at the time of the invention of the cotton gin); Mississippi was conceived in sin (it was setteled for the purpose of making money from the rich soil and from the slave labor available at that time).

Mrs. Styz wondered if SRC had considered trying to get other professional groups together (as, for example, the meeting of the lawyers later in the afternoon). She thought a meeting of social workers from the southern states would be a valuable and fruitful project for the future, since they have contact with the masses and would be able to intrepret their insights to SRC members. She also thought ~~they could be encouraged to~~ it might be suggested to them that they encourage students to base their theses and dissertations on problem areas of interest to both social workers and SRC.

Mr. Nelson reported on Plaquemine Parish and the difficulties encountered, both by the Negro families with children in Our Lady of the Harbor School and the white families which continued to send their children to the school.

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Rabbi Mantinband suggested humor as a means or effective action: institutes, dramas,

Dr. Clement suggested a box score in the field of human relations to be sent out regularly. This could be in New South, or could be a mimeographed sheet containing the pros and cons on progress or lack of progress in the South in the human relations field.

Dr. Dent announced that this ended the program discussion: the basic questions of which seemed to be regarding organization of SRC and particularly in relation to the State Councils. He reminded the group that the state organizations are autonomous, based on the thinking of Howard Odum that there is no monolithic south but that we vary in our concerns from place to place. The SRC has never taken the position that these were branches of the SRC. They have the privilege of applying for a grant-in-aid for support of their work. This establishes a very different pattern of organization from what might be implied from the remarks made today by the state council representatives.

Dr. Dent continued by saying that we do not know the answers to many of the questions posed by the group. SRC can try to find ways of approaching the types of problems which confront us and do what we can about them. He said he was not always sure that we do what we can, that it is important to look for new techniques and to think about these problems. He thought it was more important for us to do what we know how to do.

We are not concerned for equal opportunity and equal protection for Negroes, but for ALL of the people of the South. Our concern must be much broader; it would be a serious mistake to think only of educating the Negroes to vote and to use the ballot. We must think and work for ALL citizens to vote and to know what they are voting for.

Dr. Hancock read a Resolution he had been requested to prepare on Dr. P. Bernard Young, Sr. (attached)

The motion to adopt the Resolution as read was voted unanimously; the secretary was directed to send a copy to the family. The chairman requested a short period of silence in commemoration.

Miss Wilkins read a Resolution (prepared by Fred Routh) on Dr. Mitchell (attached). The motion to adopt was voted unanimously; a copy and a warm personal letter is to be sent to Mrs. Mitthell. A short period of silence in commemoration.

Wilkins: we are indebted to Paul Anthony for the arrangements for this meeting; we extend to him our sincere appreciation and thinks.

Dunbar: copies of Seeds of Change, a biography of Will Alexander by James Stokely and Wilma Dykeman are on hand and may be purchased.

We are very glad to have with us the presidents of state councils; they are so important to our over-all program.

Mr. Dunbar then introduced those state council presidents or representatives present:

McCloud, Alabama; Demere, Georgia; Reese, South Carolina;

Resolutions of appreciation to Peachtree Manor Hotel and to Stouffer's Restaurant to be prepared by the staff and sent to them.

Stewart motion; seconded and passed.

That the president appoint a committee to consider an appropirate memorial for George Mitchell.

Adjournment.

Report of the Executive Director

Organizational Remarks

Organizationally, SRC has been kept this past year as it has been for several years. We have 20 fulltime persons on the staff and one part-time mailroom worker; we also have Mr. Brewbaker working half-time. There are four more people who have some connection from time to time. Some days the staff seems awfully large and unmanageable, but it is made up of people of talent. I have a sense of pride in what we manage to do with our resources. Our budget is $, without VEP, and it has been kept to this level for the last several years. We do get out of our resources a considerable amount of program. (For instance, our budget is about one-third the annual budget of CORE.) The budget for 1963 which you approved yesterday was carefully formulated. We started from the back with the decision of how much money we could count on and how much money those of us concerned with fund-raising thought we could scratch together.

I would in this connection believe it worthwhile to point out to you that in the budget presentation the figures shown on page two for General Operations for the first ten months of this year does not include a savings account which has never been transferred to General Operations and which puts us well within striking distance of the total budget for this year.

Program

VEP reported to you yesterday; nothing I need add to it. There are many, many hard questions involved in the administration of the Voter Project. We have had much discussion in the staff and with other agencies, no two of which agree. Do you concentrate your resources on the Atlantas and Richmonds, or do you put your resources into the hard core areas? We are going to put most of the resources into the areas where most results can be obtained. But we do not feel that South Georgia and the Mississippi Delta areas where people are trying to exercise their rights as citizens and where they are not permitted to do so, and where there is a local group willing to do something about it....it is our conviction that we would be failing in our obligations if we did not support these people.

We decided before VEP was finally launched that if the project were carried on as we said it would be, it would be consistent with SRC's Charter (we are greatly indebted to Mr. Haas and Bill DeWitt of New York). It is our full intention that both the letter and the spirit of the U. S. Treasury ruling be observed. Therefore, we have every reason to administer this project as it was outlined to the treasury department and in accordance with the purpose and aims of the SRC. There is a full understanding that the bulk of the money which is available to the VEP will be spent on feild work for the purpose of increasing voter registration in the south. But this also means that throughout all of these field programs and in the planning of the field programs, SRC takes the responsibility for studying in very close detail those factors which inhibit voting in the South. We are accumulating a great mass of

data which is flowing into our offices from the participating field groups. We are presently rethinking our methods of gathering data. We have had conversations with several professors toward the ends of enlisting them and their graduate students for gathering data and interpreting it. Although we have accumulated a great mass of data in these last few months, we have done little with it. We simply haven't had time. Wiley Branton needs another staff persons and once his staff is strengthened we can begin processing this data. Next year we can give equal attention to the research problem.

On the one hand the Council is a committed organization in a highly controversial area, and on the other hand we have boldly claimed for our publications objectivity. We have got away with this and it has taken some doing. Not only in publications but our information service to the press. Our office continues to be a cross-roads for the press (with reporters under foot all the time). They have learned that they can get reliable information as background for their work.

We are not only now a committed organization, but through VEP we are engaged publicly in programs of activity that are bound to draw attention. Our shall continue to demand and claim that although we have commitment, on the other side we have objectivity. Our chief problem is going to be to make the VEP program a success and to keep the tail from wagging the dog.

SLP: Ben Muse is leaving off the traveling through the South to a large extent in order to write a book for the Council. He will tell you about his recent trip to Europe; I believe it will interest you.

Mr. Muse said that his trip to Europe had been long-planned for October, when he was requested by the President's Committee on Equal Opportunity in the Armed Forces to visit American installations in Germany. (The Committee has opened an office in Old Brookings; it has seven members, including Mr. Muse.)

When he visited the American military forces in Germany, the commanders had been notified ahead and he received red carpet treatment. He got a thrill out of seeing the success of integration in the armed forces. The commanders and officers with whom he spoke were obviously happy and enthusiastic. He had rather expected that some would show signs of grudging acceptance, but this was not true. He was tremendously impressed with the obvious success of the Negro NCO. Everyone with whom he spoke he asked, "How are you getting along?" He found there are more Negro NCOs in proportion to total number of personnel than white. (20% Negro NCOs; Negroes represent 15% of total personnel) In some cases 30% of the NCSs in a battalion were Negroes. Invariably they said they were doing fine. Some remarked that in the beginning they were afraid the Negro NCO would be afraid to bear down on the white personnel, but "they give them hell." In the new rank of sargeant major there are Negroes. He talked to a number of Negro officers. In sports

Mr. Muse

the Negro is over represented proportionately in every case. In most sporting events there is often a majority of Negroes when they represent only 15% of the battalion. He asked if there was any lack of team spirit or spectator interest. "None whatever; this is the home team," he was told.

There are, of course, problems but the sight of this situation of being almost completely oblivious of race seemed to him miraculous. Mr. Muse particularly asked if there had been any trouble with white ~~Mississippi~~ Mississippians or other southern men. He was told that sometimes they had a little trouble when they first came over, but they soon discovered that an order is an order.

Mr. Muse thought it interesting to note the effect of discipline on desegregation and also what can be done when people are not guided in their behavior by citizens councils, as they are in the South. He said it was a very gratifying and encouraging experience to see maximum use and utilization of manpower, and he thought the armed forces were setting the pace in a great moral achievement. He concluded by saying that this is a goal we must work towards in every part of the country and in every area of human relations.

Mr. Dunbar continued:

It was a difficult decision to remove from the field a man who has been so extraordinarily effective. However, ~~during~~ this Anniversary will be greeted by several products and we decided we would like to make an entry. I think it fitting and a responsibility for us to offer to the country our interpretation of what is, after all, one of the great and crucial of the country.

We decided that we would prepare a book, an SRC publication which would be a political history of the ten years since the Supreme Court's decision. It will be confined to school desegregation but will deal with other movements only as they become background. We decided that although it would be an SRC publication, we would like to have a commercial publisher bring it out as a regular trade book. a contract was ~~been~~ signed last Summer with Viking Press, publication deadline, May 17, 1964.

Other Ventures

We have had two opportunities to work with other agencies, and this has long been a tradition of SRC--to be able to work with other groups. The ability to do this is on trial in the VEP to work harmoniously and fruitfully with other agencies. Recently we have entered into several programs in collaboration with other agencies.

1) International City Managers Association: a request that we prepare for them a study on the whole problem of racial tension as it presents itself to administrators: housing, employment,

This is not for public distribution but will go only to members ~~of~~ or important administrators over the city. Opportunity for us to say something to these people. We pretend to know something about the South; nothing about the rest of the country. In this situation we propose that they permit us to let Potomac Institute do this jointly with us. We are getting the report in finished shape within the next ten days. It will be released early next year.

A second kind of research program we will co-sppnsor a pamphlet on the problem of tokenism in school desegregation. What this study will attempt to do is to consider what has been learned, the problems encountered, and what kind of job they have done . We hope to come closely to grips with this problem of tokenism. I do not know of any subject on which we are able to make a better contribution. Actually seems to mean that we are doing all the work. We will call on a unique man of many talents: C. H. Parrish. The legal interpretation is being done by the Council's good friend, G. W. Foster, University of Wisconsin; we have drawn on some of the insights of Dr. Coles; the present writing ~~responsibility~~ and thinking responsibility is with Professor Kenneth Morland, Randolph Macon Woman's College, Virginia.

The third kind of collaboration program which is a field program . Last year I said it was my conviction that we had done a bad job over the years in trying to reach rural people but I thought we had had some success over the ~~xxxx~~ years in ~~xxxxxxxx~~ reaching urban people. I agree 100% with Lewis Jones' last night that as long as we have rural situations like Terrell County, etc. ....

We have tried a couple of things. I ~~had~~ hate very much to do this because I believe in being completely candid with my body, but there is a program in Alabama which I would prefer not to give you details about at this time. We have another program carried on jointly with the National Council of Churches. We helped financially and with plans for the National Council to add to Will Campbell's ~~xxxxx~~ office a person whose sole assignment is to attempt to bring some courage and some conviction and to rural ministers in the deep south states. Rev. Elbert Jeans has been on the staff since last Summer. This is the kind of thing which anyone expects no spectacular results. But in the belief that there are rural ministers in the South who need someone to ~~xxx~~ whom they can talk, and also to have someone come to them and say to them what church organizations and people in the great outside world are thinking is worth a try.

The resignation of Paul Rilling...
Came to the Council in the Summer of 1959. In the intervening three years he has done a bang up job. More than that he has been a deeply valued co-worker and also of the state councils throughout the South. I can't tell you with what regret we learned that Paul is leaving. The job to which he is going is one which he is uniquely qualified.

Rilling: General Health of the State Councils

Mr. Rilling called attention to the display, arranged by Marge Manderson, on the state councils, and also to a smaller display brought by the Houston Council representative.

Mr. Rilling said the health of the state councils has never been better--stronger, more stable, larger than ever have been before.

Councils are showing increased skill in obtaining foundation support for themselves, in addition to grants from SRC. Total membership now stands at about 6,500, which is about a 1,000 gain over last year and 2,000 more than two years ago. There has been expansion of staff in Arkansas, Georgia and South Carolina, with two or more professionals at work (South Carolina has two and a half) Virginia has two). Georgia has four new local councils established in the past year. Arkansas recently completed a successful Voter Education Project; also made a real contribution in increasing unity in the Negro organizations in the city of Little Rock.

The Georgia staff has been of great value in the Albany situation--there are few persons that have been able to work so well with Negroes, whites, and the power structure.

The North Carolina Council had several conferences with the governor of North Carolina looking toward more appointments of Negroes in North Carolina.

South Carolina has a state man who is doing a sort of Ben Muse effort.

Tennessee held several fair employment workshops, with participation by government and Fisk University. It is helping local groups to get data on unemployment.

Several of the councils are working with youth; South Carolina has a statewide college group.

Virginia: youth groups at high school level, college, and university (of Virginia) levels.

Probelms: the prenniel problem is how we maintain, as a biracial group, a program holding and attracting young Negro professional and business men, while at the same time holding the concerned white people who are afraid of militant tactics.

The councils are primarily an urban type movement; we need to consider how councils can be effective in rural areas.

The Florida Council is without staff and faced several financial crises; Louisiana and Mississippi have no professional staff and are just getting started. There are the prennial problems of finances: salary scales are $6,000 to $7,000.

Dunbar:

Changes in the South in the last few years have been rapid. This makes life very difficult for an organization such as the SRC and the NAACP or for state councils.

In 1959 the main problems were school desegregation. In 1962, the NAACP had school desegregation suits in the North but this is no longer the main arena or the exclusive arena. The Sit-in Movement of 1960 opened up whole new vistas. There is increased interest in voting; in the last few months not only more talk but more action.

The Federal government was not a force in desegregation ~~of the schools~~ and on the whole was not really a factor. In the last 18 months or so it has become one. Certainly ~~one that~~ government policies have cut across every field. It has seemed to us at SRC that there was a role for us to play in terms of suggesting governmental action and being an outside critic. Examples, ~~Executive~~ The Federal Executive and Civil Rights (1961), and ~~Executive~~ Executive Power and Civil Rights (1962). We returned to this role in a publication mailed out last week: the second study of Albany. The press accounts have been good: front page in the New York Times (2,500 words); good space in the Washington Post and Atlanta newspapers. Three years ago the civil rights movement was a fairly clearcut thing. One organization, the NAACP, was the spearhead. Other organizations were directing themselves to support of NAACP leadership. NAACP continues to do tremendous service to the nation. I think in this countries history few if any organizations have served the country and maintained its integrity in doing so to the point that this organization has--the country is tremendously in its debt.

SCLC, SNCC, CORE, Gandhi Society are now active and this makes for a much more complex organizational picture.

Three years ago we had to acknowledge to ourselves that gains were scant. Today we do have to recognize that in the last three years many things have happened and many gains have been registered. We are in a much different situation and one in which we have to define our way. I think it is worth while pausing just a moment. I think there is great merit in finding organizational outlets that permit expression of many and diverse .....
Over the past few years there has been a proliferation and growth of organizations. But there is a point where you pass from healthy organizations to confusion and discord. There is a responsibility for SRC so far as we are able to help by being a ballast in the organizational picture.

Dunbar:

I am tired of such words as militant, moderate, etc. Not willing to accept activist organization. My own and sole aim that SRC be a trusted organization. This puts on us a continued obligation. ..... loses sight of the fact that much of the work of the NAACP, CORE, etc. over the South is done by local groups of which there are a great number in the South. I think the development of local organizations is a welcome development.

In VEP it has been of interest to us that when we look around to see what is the organization that is ready to do a job in a certain area, it is usually one of the local groups and not a national organization.

Paul Rilling has already done this with far more authority and insight than I can muster, but I would like to say that we have now underway, hoping that funds will be made available for the next two years, grants that SRC has made to state councils. It seemed to me we could not solicit funds beyond the next two years unless state councils were more firmly and securely established themselves. It does seem to me that over the next couple of years these state councils which have been established for some time will need truely to justify themselves; it is not enough to justify its continuance just because it has kept alive.

This does not include Mississippi. If they can just keep alive there it will be a tremendous contribution that is all anyone can ask. It will be one small voice coming out of Mississippi saying "no". Seems to me that state councils need not only to bring people together in communities where it is not easy to come together, but they need to do more than support the latest drive going on by some Negro organization. They also need to take to themselves some role that they can perform well: the role of making real the victories that have been won, when the schools desegregate, when the lunch counters desegregate. It is too much to expect that these poeple who then go on to the next battle ought to be saddled with ...

We have a lot of empty victories: desegregated lunch counters where Negroes never sit; desegregated schools where few Negroes apply. The state councils could take to themselves the responsibility of making the victories real ones.

State councils also have an obligation to develop independently programs they are qualified to do. The Virginia CHR recently developed an employment service to employers and to job applicants in the merit employment field. There are many such programs which could be taken on in addition to the usual programs of state councils. The Arkansas Council and Little Rock Urban League cooperated in a voter registration drive and did a fine job. All of our state councils need to give more thought to program that is recognizable in results. In Houston the local council has started a program on juvenile delinquency and venerial disease. Councils can bring people together to think about those problems which are not civil rights problems but which affect civil rights. What better organization could offer community leadership than the

Council on Human Relations?

There is now a task of developing a program in the upper South which is moving, and in the deep South where it is not. As the penetration of the civil rights movement comes day by day to the Deep South, we must recognize that some of the roughest days are ahead of us.

I am an optimist about how things are moving in the South as a whole, but as the civil rights movement reaches the Deep South we may very well be in for some of the most dire and depressing days in our history. That is why we thought the Albany situation needed the attention we gave it; we wanted to impress on the government and people just what is at stake in this situation. We have not heard the last of Albanys.

I think one of the things we ought to observe (not getting much attention yet) is the different postures of state governments in the South. We haven't expected much of state governments; nobody expects the state government to do anything. I think in time the civil rights movement might make an honest man of the state government and they may come to occupy an honest role in civil rights. The government can be either antagonistic or neutral, or can be actively supporting to the extension and support of civil rights. What we have had so far has been a solid phalanx of ....

This is true of the state government of Alabama, but in the last few years there have been indications that some state governments have moved to a position of neutrality. This means that in a state like North Carolina or Tennessee or possibly soon in Georgia it will be possible to move in this field without the active objection of the state government. Seems to me a very great change. What we have to look forward to is when a state government may abandon neutrality and will take some responsibility for positive advances in civil rights. (Kentucky, Missouri) ....
In these states established Commissions on Civil Rights, a movement to put some of its power, at least, on the good side.

The staff informed the Executive Committee of its desire to undertake a thorough review and evaluation of program, to which the Executive Committee gave its hearty approval. The staff has asked Chairman Wheeler to appoint a subcommittee of the Executive Committee, and Mr. Dabbs to appoint a subcommittee of the Council. Our plan is to submit to the Executive Committee some time next Spring our paper. If it is approved we intend to submit ~~this~~ to you at the next annual meeting the program review for your approval. We shall, in addition to asking President Dabbs and Mr. Wheeler to give us some advice and direction, be writing to each of you as an individual for your advice. It is good for any organization to step back

and take a good look at itself. In a South changing as fast as this and a field rife with new problems that we not only try to think from day to day but.....

Questions, comments and advice on program:

CLEMENT: (footnote or insertion) speak not as member of Council. Listened with interest and certainly agree with Dr. Dunbar's evaluation of the work of the Council up to a point. A historian cannot go back and verify a fact or look ahead 20 years and evaluate a period. For 40 years I have had a direct association with this organization and its predecessor. We do not forget some things and we not be too timid in our evaluation of our work. I have seen this organization in lean years and good; I have criss-crossed the South continually over these years and I would agree that history will rate the NAACP very high. I think history will perhaps rate the SRC and its predecessor as perhaps as valuable, making a contribution to the improvement of race relations in the South as high as any. The most thoroughly interracial group working in the South during this period. Developed through mutual respect and gained confidence and trust. Men and womrn have continued to work and progress together. We ourselves have a glorious history which has not been been completed because our work has not yet been finished.

This organization may very well prove to be the one organization through the whole period which made possible much of the progress which we see today. I want us to see ourselves as we are. Realize that yours has not only been a glorious heritage. There is a reason for us to continue because when the New York Times quotes us on the front page these things matter because the organization has achieved. We have had great leadership through the years. This is a good group and it ought to take second place to no gropu in its work in this most important field.

S. WRIGHT: The research staff has been augmented since VEP. Want to make a suggestion.....(something about adding more people)

DUNBAR: in some ways the most difficult problem I have had was finding areplacement for myself as research director. Jim Moss was with us for a year, and ~~now Staige Blackford has taken on the duties as director of research. We~~ I have every confidence the problem is now solved with the appointment of Staige Blackford. We have not augmented the research staff within the central office. As Mr. Branton mentioned yesterday, Jack Minnis is research man for VEP. VEP badly needs to get another man so Mr. Minnis can devote more time to research ends of VEP. He has been called on for field work. Wiley Branton is a very decisive man and makes decisions quickly. He has looked very carefully at a number of people and is about to make a decision now. When we get another field man Minnis will be more free than he is now.

S. WRIGHT: wanted to urge that as much as the research staff as we need be built into the staff as we grow. It is essential that we do this because so much of this material and

data might get away from us.

DENT: from the very beginning this point of view was taken into consideration by the staff. Pulling together data for full report. Mr. Branton has this fully in mind. Something that must be done; otherwise we will have a great variety of data which will be of no use.

L. JONES: Alexander and Jessie Daniel Ames. We must be factual here; you are a group which must make decisions and make them clearly. NAACP, SCLC, SNCC have all been under Mr. Dunbar's scrutiny in this VEP. Got to do better and not dodge the issue. The SRC is not doing what the old race relations thing would have; you have got to decide now if you are going to face it now. Mr. Dunbar has handled money for Taconic and Field Foundations.....

STEWARDT (I am a member of the NAACP.) Shortly after Lucy expelled from the University of Alabama a group met in Atlanta to see what could be done. Dr. Mays mentioned SRC and that it might be able to help us. So we became acquainted with SRC. I want to say this, that in all fairness and with respect to all organizations in this field, the NAACP has as much respect for SRC as it has for any organization in the field. We would not consider handling this money unless we had a responsible organization. We agreed that we would only participate if the SRC/½ handled the money.

JONES: money given to SRC; NAACP begged for its share.

DUNBAR: SRC went into the VEP with its eyes open and after much discussion. Problems presented to meeting last year. We had meeting after meeting ironing out and settling on the form of this program. We had gone into the program from the beginning with intentions of working harmoniously and fruitfully with these organizations. We committed ourselves last year to select a person for this project who had the confidence of the chief participating agencies. We also committed ourselves not to make the appointment without consultation with these agencies. Although Wiley Branton was our choice, we got the approval of the other five participating agencies. Nobody has begged for money. We made it clear at the beginning that SRC would make the decisions, we would retain the trust of the organizations. We are responsible solely for every decision that has been made for resources. We do know what has taken place, we are closely aware of what was taken place, every program has been reported in detail. Detail not in every case happily by participating agencies but a number of them have found that taking time to report is an aid to them. Unfortunately we had a couple of organizations during the Summer which did not comply with our reporting requirements. Those organizations will not participate again. We have not as yet processed the data as well as we should have. This is a very big program, it is taking a lot of time and energy to get it launched. We are not satisfied with the job we are doing in processing data. We have been extremely pleased with some of the data that has come in from the field; we have taken our own independent means of gathering data ourselves. Convened a dozen social scientists and explained what we were going to do, asked for their help and interest.

DUNBAR: (continued)

In the last few weeks we have conferred with them again, and will be getting cooperation from a number of academic people in the South. We intend to make a very successful research project of this. I cannot in good conscience produce a mimeographed report. I promise there will come out of this some something substantial and important. I have a professional stake in this myself which I intend to protect. I do ask you to believe that we are responsibly aware of the research aspect and.....

We have had a very stenuous time getting these programs underway. It is not a matter of Leslie Dunbar giving money to Wiley Branton. The Executive Director is aware of his responsibilities. We are now in position to mobilize resourced to organize and move ahead on the research staff.

SCULL: SRC relies on Foundations for support. State councils have to rely on the interest of individual citizens in states. We have to compete with CORE, NAACP, etc. for support. I think perhaps that without the benefit of tax exempt status....

Staff could give more leadership in suggesting ways in which state councils may do outstanding job. Ways to draw people in and make them feel an involvement. NEW SOUTH could do more to embellish this image.

One neglected area is the economic side of boycotts..... not aware of any real effort to develop a person or small staff with information on what is going on and who could be used as resource and fact gathers but who would be able to go to an area and give advice and relate the experiences of others in similar situations.

S.J.WRIGHT: worried since last night about Mississippi. (McGill article in Saturday Review) Why was it that the faculty was so different? The answer, because this is Mississippi is not good enough. What makes Mississippi Mississippi? I would like to see an analytical study to see what has happened in Mississippi during these past ten years--what the effects have been and what the consequences will be for the future.: a sociologist, an anthropologist, news media--publish with implications for entire southern region.

_____You can save a little of your sorry for Alabama. There must come a time when state councils should stand on their own feet, but there are places where this is not possible. At the present time our Executive Director is under tremendous pressure and under an injunction to cease and dessist from activities. We have felt that we must fight this, but how do you raise this money in the atmosphere when people sent checks to me, they asked me to cash them and send the money on to the Alabama Council.

DUNBAR: I hope that we do not withdraw from assisting state councils after two year period or any other period; our ability to justify contributions to state councils would depend increasingly on state council's demonstrating effective program.

DABBS: ten years not far enough back in Mississippi. South Carolina feel into sin; Mississippi was conceived in sin.

DAVIDSON: grants to states: there are three requirements for a successful state organization: 1) membershi p potential, with a handful of substantial donors; 2) board of directors or executive committee with some prestige and a great deal of devotion; 3) professional director of ability, imagination, and initiative. Without the ~~three~~ third thing~~s~~ you could not proceed, you will be treading water. We have had this situation dramatized for us in the last few months. I would guess that the great success of the Virginia organization may have something to do with their having had a few years of Paul Rilling and the carefully selected successor of Paul Rilling. We must consider it a basic necessity to provide good and professional state executive directors. The biggest contribution that could be made would be a professional director chosen by SRC, supported by SRC, and controlled by SRC.

LEE THOMAS: any organization has to operate with people, and the effective use of people. Most organizations have not had the ability to handle people with confidence. Must either be buoyed up or kicked out. It is all too east to sit around in committee, where you seek the least common denominator. Assign a job to a person and if he doesn't do it, get rid of him and get someone else.

MANTINBAND: The encouragement of isolated individuals who need contact of a body like this so they can keep up their stamina and faith. I would like the staff to consider getting through its message in a way which can be popularized. There are medias that we could employ: use literature, poetry and theatre, sketches over radio and TV. Like to suggest that the nature of humor is is to penetrate where scorn will not. Humor often covers up agony of spirit and quiet desperation. (examples: cartoons)

STYZ: Considering whether SRC has thought of trying to get hold of large groups of social workers in the South, as you had the lawyers. These people have contact with the masses. Perhaps thru these people there could be thesis and dissertations topics ....

NELSON: During the desegregation of Our Lady of the Harbor, there were 5 Negroes and 80 whites (original enrollment 150). White families continued for about 10 days and then stopped because phone~~s~~ wires were cut, sewage, electricity etc. stopped. Perez said, "Nobody is going to that school; we are going to teach the Catholic Church a lesson." A group of white poeple came to me and asked, "What can we do? Should we file a suit?" Saturday morning's mail I received a statement from this group of white people from Plaquemines Parrish: "We authorize you to take whatever action is necessary." They have the courage to do this regardless of personal abuse, loss of jobs, etc. 8 families. we are getting ready to have

a very interesting incident. These people are ready to go to war. I came here with an idea of reevaluating my thoughts. I approach this a little differently from people how have a steady income.

In the South we are trying to open our society like it is in the North? Are we really reaching the minds and hearts of these people? Sure it is calm in Palquemines Parrish--it should not be calm. They call me a Communist. A waterfall moves eventually into small streams. Hope another James Baldwin writing in New Orleans will not write the same kind of article as he did in New York--if he does, we haven't accomplished anything.

VIVIAN MASON: We ought to be making more studies. Mississippi isn't anything new. We have known the story of Alabama but we did not have an M. L. King there. So it became intensified so that the .....
It is terrible in Mississippi, Florida, and Shreveport. The veiled threats, the telephone calls, the strangling of the soul of America. We must interpret this to the poeople in high offices who should know about this and have a responsibility to do something.

DABBS: basically a religious question; these people can gain courage by understanding the ground on which they stand. What any person needs in a fighting situation, even tho he seems to be alone the universe is on his side. You have to believe that. We want something that never has existed in America: we must must clarify our thoughts on this. What king of society are we trying to gain? If we understand what we are aiming at, we will be able to stand up for it.

BECKWITH: important ~~part~~ part of our meeting is just what is happening now. Like to recommend ~~to~~ the Executive Committee give consideration to how we can implement the suggestions made; how we can find answers to the questions asked today. Either by meeting in the Spring or by extending out meeting another day, taking advantage of the people who are members of this council and go into this more thoroughly to see what we can do.

HAAS: credit for ~~xxxxxxx~~ break-trhough in Georgia can be given to Ralph McGill. Less known is the influence he has had on other newspaper men in the South. "The press can create an environment in which politicians can act." (Patterson) Although McGill spearheaded ..... in Georgia, would have meant little if Hartsfield had not implemented. These leaders meant so much to the city and indeed to the South. Working with the press on a man to man basis before we reach the stage of having the institutes, plays, dramas. Begin to create atmosphere in which politicains can feel free to take steps.

SHAW: Enjoyed evaluation which has taken place.
no real program suggestions

CLEMENT: would like to see a box score in the progress of human relations in the South in New South or on a mimeographed sheet; the pros and cons on the South.

DENT: conclude discussion. Basic question not organizational and particularly not relation of SRC to the state councils. State organizations are autonomous....

RESOLUTIONS: moment of silence, etc.

important to look for new technizues and to think about these problems. More important for us to do what we know how to do. We are ~~not~~ concerned for equal opportunity and equal protection for all people in the South --our concern must be much broader. It would be a serious mistake to think only of educating the Negroes to vote and use the ballot. We want all people educated and voting.

Presidents of state councils: so glad to have you with us and you are so important to our overall work.

McCloud, Ala; Demere, Ga.; Reese, S. C. etc.

President appoint a committee for a George Mitchell Award. Voted.

Adjourned.

SILVER: in reply to questions from audience

Right now the question of the University of Mississippi is, will the citizens council run the university? I would not bet a nickle on the outcome.

Is Meredith on the verge of a crackup or failure?

I talked with him about six hours the other day. James Meredith is not only a man of great courage, but he has a depth of character which I have never seen in another human being. "I have been preparing for this for eight years. I don't know what I'll do next week." He is doing rather poorly with some elementary courses. He did expect that after several weeks the students would accept him. I am convinced that this man can, if he wants to, do anything. The news stories are largely talk.

We hear that the trouble with college students today is that they haven't anything here in America to rebel against. Why isn't there some of that in Mississippi? What has gone out of American students that makes them not take this opportunity?

Students today were 10 years old at the time of the Supreme Court decision. Every single influence on their lives is based on falacious assumptions. They don't know any better. They are enormously ignorant and bigoted; they have gotten this from their parents and the respectable people of their towns. They have been indoctrinated for eight years. Whose who survice get out. The best people have been leaving the state.

Why the difference in attitude on the part of faculty and administration in comparison to faculty in other states? They are not living in Mississippi. I have been in trouble since 1958. We do have an aroused faculty and it took a month to get the administration aroused too. The faculty did tell the administration that never again does the faculty want to hear that our jobs are being saved for us. It is an aroused group that has done things that would amaze you. Took a hell of a revolution to get them off their bottoms.

LEWIS JONES: (formerly of Tuskegee, now at Fisk University, author of recent article in Saturday Review.)

Raising Some Questions About Changes in the South's Social Structure

In most of the South a great deal of activity is going on at one level--the Negro middle class. ....that this will ultimately affect the whole South. The men furtherist down are being forgotten in these activities. Most all the advances made recently have worked to the advantage of the Negro middle class. If you look at the commercial development, we have not achieved desegreation but a strengthening of the Negro middle class. When we look at the reports of the 1960 census, it reflects some interesting things about southern people. For instance, the agricultural census of Texas: 15,000 Negro farm operators in Texas, 834,000 sharecroppers. There has been great concern about agricultural labor and migratory laborers, but little about non-farm people who are living in rural areas today. Any studies ~~should focus on~~ might profitably focus on and investigate the kind of social structure that is developing in our area. We all know that the great metropolitan have had great increases in population while the rural areas have not grown. When we talk about the progress Negroes are making we should bear in mind that white people have not been standing still, and I argue they have made greater progress than Negroes have made. Occupational statistics, income figures for blue collar skilled workers and clerical workers. Negroes have not gotten into those occupations in the past decade. Labor organizations not to segregate, employers promise not to discriminate. There needs to be a very serious training program and provisions for that program.

Georgia: median school years completed--both whites and Negroes have added a year to education, so that relatively this remains the same. There has been no relative advance in education for Negroes; they remain four years behind the whites in 1960.

The rural people are still poor.

Negro:	90%	have	incomes	of less	than	$3,000
	18%	"	"	"	"	1,000
White:	N.C.	39%	"	"	"	3,000
	Ala.	47%	"	"	"	3,000
	Ga.	34%	"	"	"	3,000
~~Nonwhite-Ga.~~						
Urban:	Whites:	27%				3,000
	Negro:	68%				3,000
Rural:	White:	41%		Nonwhite:	81%	3,000

Organizations like this are not sufficiently aware of the problems of these people and what their potential is for any kind of development in the South. The gulf between the middle class and these people furtherist down..... they don't know, can't talk about. If we find them apathetic in voting and education, we might consider whether we have considered what their aspirations are. We need community studies in depth to understand this group of the population.

WILL CAMPBELL: Religion in the South

Since 1954 all the major denominations have passed statements (Lipscomb made in 1878 in Nashville, Tenn: Church of Christ best: We believe....

This statement represented something that was very basic to the Christian ethic, but something that has been largely ignored in the present. Three reasons why this position has failed in the South.

1) the ethic of the South has never been either Christian or Jewish, but Greek or Stoic. (The Southern church has neither gone inside or stayed outside, but has stood forever grumbling on the porch.

The theory of Sovereignty was suited to the agrarian South.

The Southern Church has its roots not in Christianity but in the Stoic. Behavior of gentility toward those that rule. The Southe~~r~~ has given lip-service to one God while holding onto the ethics of another. In the Southern concept, there is nothing to do but turn one's back on violence. Remain silent in the Southern fashion or lead in the John Birch Society. In Jewish and Christian ethics it is the individual that is responsible.

How to get them off the porch? Does not make a great deal of difference whether they go on away or come on in the house, or continue to remain grumbling on the porch.

2nd.) Why religion has failed in the South in race relations. Theological liberalism, influences the religious activist in race relations. Whereas the early church concerned itself with a God who had become man, theologicalism interpreted this man as a liberal prophit. Bound by the American creed of individual rights. If religion had made God the subject of race relations instead of individual man, I think religion would have been more successful Social scientist has not given us sufficient data to argue with the racists..

How to get him off the porch: try to get social liberalism into fundamentalism. It would be possible for this to be done.

We need a good,fat, juicy, burning hell. Now that we need it, we don't have it. We need the Last Judgment and the wrath to come, "and you will be writhing and screaming in this eternal hell, and there will be black men there, and yellow men there....
Then you will see God peeping over the precipice, and you will say "Lord, we didn't know!" You will hear the clanging of the great door and the rasping of the great lock, and His voice will say, "Well, you know now."

MEMBERS, OUT OF TOWN STAFF, AND GUESTS PRESENT
FOR ANNUAL MEETING
1962

Alexander, Fred	Charlotte, N. C.
Baptist, Ted (P)	New Orleans, La.
Barrett, George (S & P)	Nashville, Tenn.
Beckwith, H. I.	Annandale, Va.
Beittel, A. C. (M & P)	Tougaloo, Miss.
Brazeal, B. R.	Atlanta, Ga.
Brewbaker, J. J. (S)	Norfolk, Va.
Brewer, Mrs. & Mr. Joe R.	Scott, Ark.
Brooke, W. C.	Roanoke, Va.
Cartwright, C. S.	Little Rock, Ark.
Christopher, Paul & Mrs.	Knoxville, Tenn.
Clement, R. E.	Atlanta, Ga.
Colston, J. A.	Knoxville, Tenn.
Crate, Mrs. J. S. (P)	Houston, Texas
Davidson, H. M. & Mrs.	Daytona Beach, Fla.
Dabbs, Jas. M. & Mrs.	Mayesville, S. C.
Dabbs, Messrs. (G)	Mayesville, S. C.
Demere, Charles (P)	Atlanta, Ga.
Dent, Albert W.	New Orleans, La.
Doggett, Caxton	Winter Park, Fla.
Foster, L. H.	Tuskegee, Ala.
Gomillian, C. G.	Tuskegee, Ala.
Gibson, T. R.	Miami, Florida
Haas, Joseph	Atlanta, Ga.
Hunter, Duncan	Huntsville, Ala.
Jackson, Douglas	Dallas, Texas
Johnson, Guy B.	Chapel Hill, N. C.
Keher, S. T.	Atlanta, Ga.
Kimball, Mrs. & Mr. A.	Gainesville, Fla.
Mantinband, Charles	Hattiesburg, Miss.
Mason, Vivian Carter	Washington, D. C.
Montgomery, R. B.	Lexington, Ky.
Muse, Ben & wife (S)	Manassas, Va.
Nelson, John P., Jr.	New Orleans, La.
Rayzor, Mrs. J. N.	Houston, Texas

Reese, Fred (P)	Columbia, S. C.
Richardson, Harry V.	Atlanta, Ga.
Scull, David W.	Annandale, Va.
Secrest, A. M.	Cheraw, S. C.
Shaw, Chas. A.	Houston, Texas
Shaw, Mrs. E. P., (P)	Houston, Texas
Siceloff, C. & wife	Frogmore, S. C.
Smith, Kelly M.	Nashville, Tenn.
Smith, McNeill	Greensboro, N. C.
Solomon, W. E.	Columbia, S. C.
Steele, Chas. T.	Louisville, Ky.
Stewart, Jas. E.	Oklahoma City, Okla.
Stokely, James	Newport, Tenn.
Sytz, Florence	New Orleans, La.
Thomas, Lee B., Jr.	Louisville, Ky.
Trenholm, H. C.	Montgomery, Ala.
Wheeler, John H.	Durham, N. C.
Wheeler, R. & wife	Charlotte, N. C.
White, Mrs. Chas. W.	Houston, Texas
Wiley, Bell I. & wife	Atlanta, Ga.
Wilkins, Josephine	Athens, Ga.
Williams, H. F.	Miami, Fla.
Wright, M. A.	Linville Falls, N. C.
Wright, S. J.	Nashville, Tenn.
Young, Thomas W.	Norfolk, Va.

Lawyers' Meeting, Tuesday afternoon:

Haas, Joseph	Staff:	Barrett, George
Nelson, John P.	"	Branton, Wiley
Smith, McNeill	ACLU:	Wulf, Melvin L., New York
Wheeler, John		Morgan, Charles Jr., Birmingham
Wright, M. A.		

Special Guests: Dr. Gordon Hancock, Richmond, Va.
Messrs. Dabbs, Mayesville, S. C.

Panelists: Will Campbell, Nashville, Tenn.
Jim Silvers, University of Mississippi
Lewis Jones, Tuskegee, Ala.

S - Staff
P - President (or chairman) of state council on human relations (including Houston and New Orleans)
M - or not designated otherwise, Members

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NON-MEMBERS ATTENDING SRC ANNUAL MEETING, NOVEMBER 19-20, 1962

Spouses (Members and Staff)

Mr. Joe R. Brewer, Ark.
Mrs. Paul Christopher, Tenn.
Mrs. H. M. Davidson, Fla.
Mrs. James M. Dabbs, S. C.
Messrs. Dabbs (2)
Mr. Austin Kimball, Fla.
Mrs. Ben Muse, Va.
Mrs. Courtney Siceloff, S. C.
Mrs. Raymond Wheeler, N. C.
(11) Mrs. Bell I. Wiley, Ga.

State Presidents (or Chairmen) of Human Relations Councils

Ted Baptist, ~~La.~~ New Orleans
Charles Demere, Ga.
Fred Reese, S. C.
(6) Mrs. E. P. Shaw, Houston
- 2 already counted

George Barrett, Tenn. (also Staff)
A. C. Beittel, Miss. (also Member)

Lawyers Meeting

Melvin L. Wulf, ACLU, New York
Charles Morgan, Jr., Birmingham, Ala.
Daniel Pollitt, Univeristy of North Carolina Law School
(4) Robert Owen, Justice Department, Washington, D. C.

Speakers

Rev. Will Campbell, Nat'l Council of Churches, Nashville, Tenn.
Dr. Lewis Jones, Tuskegee, Ala.
(3) Dr. Jim Silvers, University of Mississippi

(1) Special Guest: Dr. Gordon Hancock, Richmond, Va.

23 - guests
50 members
4 out of town staff
77 (plus local staff)

Annual Meeting
1962

MEMO TO BC
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RE NEW BOARD MEMBERS OF SRC

Class of 1966

1. Dr. Roosevelt D. Crockett
President
Philander Smith College
Little Rock, Ark.

2. Dr. Edward E. Haddock
1133 West Franklin St.
Richmond 20, Va.

4. Mrs. Martin Harvey
Service by Collins
415 N. Parish St.
Jackson 2, Miss.

3. Professor Robert J. Harris
Dept. of Political Science
Vanderbilt University
Nashville, Tenn.

5. Mr. John G. Lewis
P. O. Box 2110
Baton Rouge, La.

6. Dr. J. Rupert Picott
316 Clay St.,
Richmond, 19 Va.

8. Dr. William H. Townsend
507 W. 31st St.
Little Rock, ~~xxxx~~, Ark.

9. Mr. Nat Welch
342 Hare Avenue
Auburn, Ala.

7. Mr. Moreland G. Smith
3236 Bankhead Avenue
Montgomery 6, Ala.

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Class of 1965
to replace Dr. Arthur Gray

Mrs. Maise Cahn
40 Versailles Blvd.
New Orleans, La.

DATA SHEET ON NEW MEMBERS

Roosevelt D. Crockett - President Philander Smith College, Little Rock, Ark.

Mrs. Moise Cahn - Former president, National Council of Jewish Women, New Orleans, La.

Edward Haddock - Richmond. Member of state senate and former Mayor of Richmond.

Mrs. Martin Harvey - Prominent Methodist churchwoman; founder and president, Womanpower Unlimited of Jackson, Miss.

Robert J. Harris - Political scientist, Vanderbilt University. In June, 1963 becomes Dean of Faculty of Arts and Sciences, University of Virginia.

John G. Lewis. Fraternal Leader and businessman of Baton Rouge, La.

J. Rupert Picott - Executive secretary, Virginia Teachers Ass'n.

William H. Townsend - Optométrist; recent candidate for city commission, Little Rock, Ark.

Nat Welch - Businessman, Auburn, Ala.

Moreland Smith - Architect, Montgomery, Ala.

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For Miss Josephine Wilkins:

List of New ~~Members~~ present for first time:

Mrs. Joe R. Brewer (and husband), Scott, Ark.
Dr. A. C. Beittle (also was member SRC 1949-51 when at Talladega) Tougaloo, Miss.
Rev. T. R. Gibson, Miami, Fla.
Jno. P. Nelson, Jr., New Orleans, La.
David W. Scull, Annandale, Va.
A. M. Secrest, Cheraw, S. C.
Kelly Smith, Nashville, Tenn.
McNeill Smith, Greensboro, N. C.

(Not present: Brock, McCollum, Pitts)

State presidents (or chairmen) of human relations councils (including Houston and New Orleans)

Fred Reese, South Carolina
Charles Demere, Georgia
Dr. Beittel, Mississippi (also new member)
George Barrett, Tennessee (also staff)
Mrs. E. P. Shaw, Houston
Ted Baptist, New Orleans
Mrs. J. S. Crate, Texas

(Aubrey Brown, Virginia--not heard from but may be coming)

Spec. guest: Dr. Gordon Hancock

GUESTS FOR LAWYERS" MEETING

Melvin L. Wulf, rep. ACLU, New York
Charles Morgan, Jr., Birmingham
Daniel Pollitt, Univ. N. C. Law School
Robert Owen, Justice Dept., Washington, D. C.

GUESTS FOR PANEL DISCUSSION

Will Campbell, Nat'l Council of Churches, Nashville, Tenn.
Jim Silvers, University of Mississippi
Lewis Jones, ~~Tuskegee, Alabama~~
Fisk, Nashville

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1962 ANNUAL MEETING: RESERVATIONS

Name	Room (Peachtree Manor unless otherwise noted)	18	19	20
Alexander, Fred Charlotte, N.C.	single		x	
Baptist, Ted New Orleans, La	share double w/Reese		x	
Barrett, George (S) Nashville, Tenn	single	x	x	x
Beckwith, H. I. Annandale, Va	double/Gibson		x	
Beittel, A. C. Jackson, Miss	(single 18 (double 19/Jackson	x	x	
X Brazeal, B. R. Atlanta	Atlanta	1	1	1
X Brewbaker, J.J. (S) Norfolk, Va	Atlantan	1	1	1
Brewer, Mrs. & Mr. Joe R. Scott, Ark.	double	xx	xx	xx
Brooke, W. C. Roanoke, Va	double/Doggett		x	
Cartwright, C.S. Little Rock, Ark.	single		x	
Christopher, Paul & Mrs. Nashville, Tenn.	double	xx	xx	
X Clement, R.E. Atlanta	Atlanta			
Colston, J. A. Knoxville, Tenn.	single		x	
Crate, Mrs. J. S. Houston, Texas	single		x	x
X Davidson, H. M. & Mrs. Daytona Beach, Fla.	Cabana	xx	xx	xx
Dabbs, J. M. & Mrs.	double	xx	xx	xx
" two sons Mayesville, SC	double	xx	xx	xx
Dent, Albert W. New Orleans, La.	single (late arrival)	x	x	
Doggett, Caxton Winter Park, Fla.	double/Brooke		x	
Foster, L. H. Tuskegee, Ala.	single		x	
X Gomillion, C. G. Tuskegee, Ala.			1	1
Gibson, Rev. T. R. Miami, Fla.	double/Beckwith 19th	x	x	
X Haas, Joseph Atlanta	Atlanta	1	1	1
Hunter, Duncan Huntsville, Ala.	single		x	
Jackson, Douglas Tulsa, Texas	double/Beittel		x	
Johnson, Guy B. Chapel Hill, N.C.	double/Williams	x	x	
X Keher, S. T. Atlanta	Atlanta		1	1
X Kimball, Mrs. & Mr. Gainesville, Fla	Cabana, double twin beds		2	2
Mantinband, Charles Hattiesburg, Miss.	double/Scull	xx	xx	
Mason, Vivian Carter Washington, D.C.	double/Ruthenburg		x	
Montgomery, R. B. Lexington, Ky.	single (late)	x	x	
Muse, Mr. and Mrs. (S) Manassas, Va.	double	x	xx	
Nelson, John P., Jr. New Orleans, La.	single	x	x	x
Rayzor, Mrs. J. M. Houston, Texas	single		x	

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Name	Room	18	19	20
Reese, Fred Columbia, S.C.	double/Baptist		x	
X Richardson, Harry V. Atlanta	Atlanta		1	1
~~Ruthenberg, Doreas~~ ~~Louisville, Ky~~	~~double/Mason~~		x	
Scull, D. W. Annandale, Va.	double/Mantinband	x	x	
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Secrest, A. M. Cheraw, S.C.	~~double~~/ single	x	x	
X Shaw, Chas. A. Houston, Texas	w/brother		1	1
Shaw, Mrs. EP. Houston Texas Siceloff, C. & wife Orangeburg, S.C.	double / double/White		x xx	
Smith, Kelly M. Rockville, Tenn.	single		x	
Smith, McNeill Greensboro, N.C.	single		x	
Solomon, W. E. Columbia, S.C.	double/Thomas		x	
Steele, Chas. T. Louisville, Ky.	double/Trenholm, 19th		x	x
Stewart, Jas. E. Oklaha City, Okla.	single	x	x	
Stokely, James Newport, Tenn.	single	x	x	
Sytz, Florence New Orleans, La.	single		x	
Thomas, Lee B., Jr. Louisville, Ky.	double/Solomon		x	
Trenholm, H. C. Montgomery, Ala.	double/Steele		x	
Wheeler, John H. Durham, N.C.	single	x	x	x
Wheeler, R. & Mrs. White, Mrs. Chas. W. Houston 2nd double / Shaw	double		xx x	
X Wiley, Bell I. & Mrs. Atlanta	Atlanta		2	2
X Wilkins, Josephine Athens, Ga.	Biltmore	1	1	1
Williams, H. E. Miami, Fla.	double/Johnson	x	x	
Wright, M. A. Lumberton, N.C.	single	x	x	x
Wright, S. J. Nashville, Tenn.	single	x	x	
Young, Thos. W. Norfolk, Va.				

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- 11 spouses + 2 Dallas sons
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Chas. Morgan, Birmingham
~~Lawyers meeting Dec. 6th~~

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RESERVATIONS, PEACHTREE MANOR HOTEL

NOVEMBER 18 & 19 — SUITES

Mr. & Mrs. James M. Dabbs, Mayesville, S. C.

NOVEMBER 19 & 20

Southern Regional Council (arranged by Paul Anthony)
(9:00 a.m. on the 19th to 6:00 p. m. on the 20th)
24th 25th

DOUBLES

NOVEMBER 18 & 19

1. Mr. & Mrs. Paul Christopher, Knoxville, Tenn.
2. Messrs. Dabbs, Mayesville, S.C.
3. Mr. & Mrs. Benjamin Muse, Manassas, Va.
4. Rabbi Charles Mantinband, Hattiesburg, Miss.
   Mr. David W. Scull, Annandale, Va.
5. Dr. H. Franklin Williams, Miami, Florida
   Dr. Guy B. Johnson, Chapel Hill, N. C.
6. Dr. A. D. Beittel, Tougaloo, Miss.
   Dr. Douglas Jackson, Dallas, Texas (Jackson, 19th only)
7. The Rev. Hubert Beckwith, Annandale, Virginia (19th only)
   The Rev. Theodore R. Gibson, Miami, Fla.
8. ~~Mr. A. M. Secrets, Cheraw, S. C.~~
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NOVEMBER 19

1. Dr. and Mrs. Raymond Wheeler, Charlotte, N. C.
2. Mr. and Mrs. Courtney Siceloff, Frogmore, S. C.
3. The Rev. W. C. Brooke, Roanoke, Va.
   The Rev. Claxton Doggett, Winter Park, Fla.
4. Mr. Lee B. Thomas, Louisville, Ky.
   Mr. W. E. Solomon, Columbia, S. C.
5. Mr. Ted Baptist, New Orleans, La.
   Mr. Fred Reese, Columbia, S. C.
6. Miss Dorcas Ruthenburg, Louisville, Ky.
   Mrs. Vivian Carter Mason, Washington, D. C.
7. Dr. Hancock, Richmond, Va.
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8. Mrs. Chas. White, Houston, Texas
   Mrs. E. P. Shaw, " "

NOVEMBER 18, 19, & 20

Mr. and Mrs. Joe R. Brewer, Scott, Arkansas

NOVEMBER 19 & 20

Mr. Charles Steele, Louisville, Ky.
Dr. H. Council Trenholm, Montgomery, Ala. (19th only)

SINGLE

NOVEMBER 18 & 19

1. Dr. Albert W. Dent, New Orleans, La.
2. Dr. Riley B. Montgomery, Lexington, Ky.
3. Mr. James E. Stewart, Oklahoma City, Okla.
4. Dr. Stephen J. Wright, Nashville, Tenn.
5. ~~One single held reserved~~ A.M. Secrest, Cheraw, S.C.

NOVEMBER 19

1. Mr. Fred Alexander, Charlotte, N.C.
2. The Rev. C. S. Cartwright, Little Rock, Ark.
3. Dr. James A. Colston, Knoxville, Tenn.
4. Dr. Luther H. Foster, Tuskegee, Ala.
5. The Rev. Duncan Hunter, Huntsville, Ala.
6. Mrs. J. N. Rayzor, Houston, Texas
7. The Rev. Kelly M. Smith, Nashville, Tenn.
8. Mr. McNeil Smith, Greensboro, N. C.
9. Mr. James Stokely, Newport, Tenn.
10. Miss Florence Styz, New Orleans, La.

NOVEMBER 18, 19 & 20

1. Mr. George Barrett, Nashville, Tenn.
2. Mr. John P. Nelson, Jr., New Orleans, La.
3. Mr. John H. Wheeler, Durham, N. C.
4. Mr. M. A. Wright, Linville, Falls, N. C.

NOVEMBER 19 & 20

1. Mrs. James S. Crate, Houston, Texas

20 singles; one vacant being held

Mechanics and Farmers Bank
Durham, North Carolina

JOHN H. WHEELER
PRESIDENT

PA ✓
MA-file

November 26, 1962

Dear Les:

The attached sheet was Al Dent's written version of his motion with reference to the Budget. It may be of some value in preparation of the minutes.

I thought you had a splendid meeting. Thanks to your leadership, the Council has moved to new heights in its effectiveness and in the quality of its work.

Sincerely,

John

Mr. Leslie Dunbar, Executive Director
Southern Regional Council
Room 201, 5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

That the proposed budget be approved on the following conditions:

(1) that the EC Com review the budget periodically and take such steps as may appear to be necessary to keep program operations within the funds available, and (2) that the Grants-in-Aid schedule not be reduced below the $52,000 which now seems to be available for this purpose.

Voted during Executive Committee Meeting

Motion by Dent; seconded by Mr. A. Wright
That the proposed budget be approved on the following conditions:

1) that the grants-in-aid program not be altered;
2) that the executive committee review the budget periodically and take such steps as may appear to be necessary from time to time to make adjustments in the budget to keep the program operations within the funds available.

Unanimously approved.

Motion by Brooke; seconded by S. J. Wright
That the executive committee direct the staff to examine the basis of determining the overhead charges for projects from time to time and report back in the hope that a more realistic overhead ~~charge~~ figure may be reached.

Unanimously approved

Committee appointed by Chairman to advise nominating Committee on selection of new president.

M A Wright, chm.
Miss Wilkins
Stephen Wright

Lifetime Fellows - to activate

Mrs. Jessie Daniel Ames
Mr. Leonard Haas
W. Gordon Hancock
Bishop La Fayette Harris
Dr. McDowell

Appointment of Committee to draft statement of policy for stopping members and submit to Exec. Comm. in January.

referred to personnel Committee for stopping for further discussion.

Annual Meeting 1962

November 29, 1962

Mr. James M. Dabbs
Rip Raps Plantation
Mayesville, S. C.

Dear Mr. Dabbs:

If you will make any changes you want to on the attached draft and send it back to us, we'll send out the letters over your signature.

The November New South will carry your address. It was fine.

Sincerely yours,

Leslie W. Dunbar

LWD:A
Enclosure

Dear

At its annual meeting in Atlanta on November 19, the Southern Regional Council elected you to membership in the Class of 1966. I have great pleasure in informing you of this.

I hope that you will find Council membership to be as satisfying and rewarding as others of us have. I believe that the Council performs an ever greater service to the region and the nation.

Enclosed with this letter are certain documents about the Council which you will want to have as a member.

I believe that you have already informally indicated that you would accept membership if elected; we would be grateful, however, if you would acknowledge this letter so that the formalities might be complete.

With every good wish, and looking forward to our association with you,

Sincerely yours,

JMD:A

James M. Dabbs

A. E. O. M. R. O. N. D

November 8, 1962

Mr. John H. Wheeler, President
Mechanics and Farmers Bank
Durham, North Carolina

Dear John:

Enclosed for your approval is a draft of the Report of the Executive Committee. Feel free, of course, to make any changes you wish. After we have had your reaction to it, the report will be mimeographed for the annual meeting and read by you during the first business session.

On Sunday, the 18th, several of the new members are gathering at the Branton home with Les, Mr. Dabbs, and a few others in a sort of informal briefing session and social evening before the meeting gets underway. Will you be in town in time to join us? A group will be leaving the hotel around 6:00 p.m., and if it does not inconvenience you we hope you can make it.

Sincerely yours,

LPA:A
Enclosure

Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

Annual Meeting
1962

November 29, 1962

Dr. E. A. McDowell
Southern Baptist Seminary
Wake Forest, North Carolina

Dear Dr. McDowell:

This letter is to inform you of two actions taken by the Council at its Annual Meeting on November 19.

First, the By-laws require that a certain number of new members be elected each year. With a fixed membership size such as we have, this requirement requires the non-reelection of some members each year. I am sure that you will understand that to make these choices is a very hard task for the Nominating Committee, and later for the Council as a whole. As a member of the Class of 1962, your term on the Council ended this year and I regret very much to inform you that you were not reelected at the Annual Meeting. Your colleagues in the Council wished that I express to you their deep thanks for your past service, and I add my personal endorsement of this expression.

Second, the above is a more or less formal notification. What I have to say now is an informal notice of something which will be more appropriately communicated to you soon. At the meeting the Council membership, mindful of the loss which we annually suffer through the rotation principle, and deeply desirous of honoring a certain few Southerners who have, over the years, contributed so much to the region, decided to elect from time to time Life Fellows of the Council. Five were so elected at this meeting, of whom you were one. As soon as we can manage it, you will be receiving a suitable, handsome citation. It was also the wish of the membership

that Life Fellows would receive invitations to the Annual Meeting and be sent all Council publications.

With very best regards,

Sincerely yours,

LWD:A

Leslie W. Dunbar

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November 29, 1962

Dr. J. L. Reddix
President
Jackson College
Jackson, Mississippi

Dear Dr. Reddix:

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If you care to continue receiving Council publications, please let me know. I hope you will.

With best regards,

Sincerely yours,

LWD:A

Leslie W. Dunbar

November 29, 1962

Mrs. E. U. Robinson
P. O. Box 140
Lebanon, Tennessee

Dear Mrs. Robinson:

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If you care to continue receiving Council publications, please let me know. I hope you will.

With best regards,

Sincerely yours,

LWD:A

Leslie W. Dunbar

November 2, 1962

Mr. Fred Routh
N.A.I.R.O.
2027 Massachusetts Avenue N.W.
Washington 6, D. C.

Dear Fred:

Paul Anthony tells me you might be free to come down for the Annual Meeting. I wish you would. The program is enclosed.

All the best.

Sincerely yours,

LWD:A

Leslie W. Dunbar

November 29, 1962

Mr. J. Edwin Smith
505 Scanlan Building
Houston, Texas

Dear Mr. Smith:

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With best regards,

Sincerely yours,

LWD:A

Leslie W. Dunbar

November 29, 1962

Mrs. George S. Mitchell
c/o Mrs. Ellen Craib
20 Geddes Cr.
Kalulushi
Northern Rhodesia
Afrida

Dear Mrs. Mitchell:

I have the honor of transmitting the enclosed Resolution, passed by the Southern Regional Council at its annual meeting on November 20th.

With best regards,

Sincerely yours,

LWD:A
Enclosure

Leslie W. Dunbar

December 7, 1962

Miss Maureen Corr
55 East 74th Street
New York, New York

Dear Miss Corr:

I have the honor of transmitting the enclosed Resolution passed by the Southern Regional Council at its Annual Meeting on November 19 and 20.

With best regards,

Sincerely yours,

Leslie W. Dunbar

LWD:A

Annual Meeting

Attachment F

RESOLUTION

The Members of the Southern Regional Council, meeting in annual session in Atlanta on November 19, 1962, note with sorrow and regret the recent loss to the world of Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt.

No American in this century has made so great a contribution to the cause of equality and human dignity. Mrs. Roosevelt abhorred any form of racial or religious prejudice. For over thirty years she labored unceasingly against intolerance and injustice: in the South, in the nation, throughout the world. The Universal Declaration on Human Rights of the United Nations is a lasting memorial to her concern for man.

Mrs. Roosevelt was a strong ally of those Southerners who are striving for the elimination of discrimination and segregation in the South. She will be sorely missed.

Class of 1962

Benjamin E. Mays, President
Morehouse College
Atlanta, Georgia

E. A. McDowell
Southern Baptist Seminary
Wake Forest, North Carolina

Francis Pickens Miller
(2810 P Street, N.W.
Washington 7, D.C.)
Charlottesville, Virginia

L. D. Milton, President
Citizens Trust Company
212 Auburn Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Riley B. Montgomery, President
College of the Bible
Lexington, Kentucky

Samuel Proctor, President
North Carolina A & T College
Greensboro, North Carolina

Mrs. J. N. Rayzor
3207 Groveland Lane
Houston, Texas

J. L. Reddix, President
Jackson College
Jackson, Mississippi

J. M. Richards, President
Columbia Theological Seminary
Decatur, Georgia

Harry V. Richardson, President
Interdenominational Theological
Center
671 Beckwith Street, S.W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Mrs. E. U. Robinson
P.O. Box 140
Lebanon, Tennessee

Rabbi Jacob Rothschild
1589 Peachtree Street, N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Miss Dorcas Ruthenburg, Dir.
Public Affairs Programs
Radio Station WHAS
Louisville, Kentucky

Walter Sharp
Cheek Wood
Nashville, Tennessee

Charles A. Shaw, President
Watchtower Life Insurance Co.
2206 Dowling Street
Houston, Texas

Courtney Siceloff, Director
Penn Community Center
St. Helena Island
Frogmore, South Carolina

The Very Rev. Msgr. Alexander
O. Sigur
P.O. Box 532
S. L. I. Station
Lafayette, Louisiana

J. Edwin Smith W
Attorney
505 Scanlan Building
Houston, Texas

J. Ray Shute
Businessman
317 E. Windsor Street
Monroe, North Carolina

The Rev. Theodore R. Gibson
Christ Episcopal Church
3841 Hibiscus Street
Miami 33, Florida

Clifton H Hoffman
470 Chelsea Circ NE
Dr 37498

1145 Peachtree St NE
872 - 2032

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

Operating Budgets and Income Forecast - 1963
(Proposed)

SYNOPSIS

Budgeted:		
General Operations	$178,481	
Special Projects	376,700	
Total		$555,181
Income Forecast:		
General Operations	$101,000	
Special Projects	363,300	
Total		$464,300
Balance to be Raised:		
General Operations	77,481	
Special Projects	13,400	
Total		$90,881

P. 1 - Proposed Budget,
General Operations

P. 2 - Projected Income,
General Operations

P. 3 - Proposed Budget,
Special Projects

Projected Income
Special Projects

GENERAL OPERATIONS

Item	Proposed 1963	1962	Spent, 1st 10 months 1962	Spent 1961
Salaries	$103,781	$105,495	$85,500.81	$97,419
Social Security	2,500	2,400	2,323.94	2,554
Travel	10,000	9,500	9,261.12	9,685
Telephone & Telegraph	5,000	4,500	3,983.86	4,909
Executive Committee & Annual Meetings	7,000	5,200	2,426.07	5,588
Consultant Fees & Travel	4,500	4,500	3,632.24	3,734
Books, Subscriptions & Research Services	3,000	1,800	1,920.32	1,801
Office Supplies & Equipment	4,500	5,500	5,657.68	3,119
NEW SOUTH, Printing, Postage & Fees	9,800	9,500	5,671.47	9,562
Postage, General	2,100	1,700	1,728.56	1,603
Printing	11,500	11,500	7,439.22	6,411
Rent	7,200	7,200	6,000.00	7,200
Accounting	700	600	635.00	920
Insurance, General & Staff Benefits	5,000	5,000	4,034.77	3,178
Foreign Visitor Expenses	600	-	748.92	-
Miscellaneous	1,300	1,000	1,276.01	1,811
TOTALS	$178,481	$175,395	$142,239.99	$159,494

Proposed Minimum Operating Budget - 1963		$178.481
Projected Income: (General Operations)		
Foundations:		
Field Foundation	$25,000	
New World Foundation	25,000	
Taconic Foundation	25,000	
Marion Ascoli Fund	1,000	
Adele Levy Fund	1,000	
		77,000
Other:		
Overhead from Project Grants	13,500	
Individual Contributions	1,500	
New South Subscriptions	5,000	
Churches	3,000	
Other	1,000	
		24,000
Total, Projected Income		$101,000
Balance to Be Raised	$77,481	

Income, General Operations 1st 10 months, 1962	$142,344.42
Income, General Operations 1961	174,410.77

SPECIAL PROJECTS, 1963

Proposed Budgets:

Southern Leadership Project		$40,000
Grants-in-Aid Program		55,800
Voter Education Project		262,000
Fellowship of the Concerned		5,000
Special Fund for Educational Projects (estimated)		4,500
Research in Pupil Adjustment		
Current project to Sept. 1	$6,800	
Continuation thru Dec. 31	2,600	9,400
Total		$376,700

Income Expectable:

Southern Leadership Project		
Rockefeller Brothers Fund		$40,000
Grants-in-Aid Program		
Field Foundation	$25,000	
Taconic Foundation	25,000	50,000
Voter Education Project		
Taconic Foundation	$125,000	
Field Foundation	75,000	
Stern Family Fund	62,000	262,000
Special Fund for Educational Projects		
New World Foundation (estimated)		4,500
Research in Pupil Adjustment		
General Education Board (estimated)		6,800
Total		$363,300
BALANCE TO BE RAISED		$ 13,400

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PROPOSED GRANTS IN AID TO COUNCILS ON HUMAN RELATIONS, 1963
(1962 figures in parentheses)

	Basic Grant		Matching Funds		Base Point		Total Assistance Possible	
Ala.	$3,900	($3,900)	$2,700	($2,700)	$3,000	($3,000)	$6,600	($6,600)
Ark.	$3,200	($3,200)	$2,200	($2,200)	$1,800	($1,700)	$5,400	($5,400)
Fla.	$3,400	($3,400)	*$4,000	($2,000)	$3,500	($3,700)	*$7,400	($5,400)
Ga.	$3,800	($3,800)	$2,500	($2,500)	$2,700	($2,700)	$6,300	($6,300)
N.C.	$3,600	($3,600)	$2,300	($2,300)	$2,700	($2,700)	$5,900	($5,900)
S.C.	$3,700	($3,700)	$2,600	($2,600)	$2,000	($2,000)	$6,300	($6,300)
Tenn.	$3,800	($3,800)	$2,500	($2,500)	$2,300	($2,300)	$6,300	($6,300)
Va.	$3,900	($3,900)	$3,600	($3,600)	$4,700	($4,500)	$7,500	($7,500)
Houston	-	-	$2,600	($2,300)	$3,600	($3,500)	$2,600	($2,300)
Miss.							** $500	
New Orleans							**$1,000	-
						***TOTAL:	$55,800	($52,000)

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~~$53,800~~ $53,800

*~~$2,000~~ of this amount is regular matching funds for 1963. The remaining $2,000 is to assist the FCHR in employing new professional staff and will be available to them if and when they have $3,500 on hand and are proceeding to employ a new professional director.

**To be made available to these groups at the discretion of SRC staff.

***Of this total amount of $55,800, only $52,000 is at present expectable. It is recognized that unless sufficient means of support become available, SRC will have to adjust these figures downward.

Any funds allocated for state assistance but not claimed by state or local councils shall automatically revert to the state discretionary fund.

1962 Annual Meeting
Mailing to New Members
Plus ① LWD Memo of Feb. 1961
② Post card to be returned
③ ret envelope for meeting

10/30 4 yes; 1 no; 8 no reply
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Southern Regional Council, Inc.

5 FORSYTH STREET, N. W. ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA

Jackson 2-8764

LESLIE W. DUNBAR, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

A Council to attain the ideals and practices of equal opportunity for all peoples in the South

October 19, 1962

Dobbs
Wheeler
Wright
Wilkins
Muse
6 members

Les & Peggy
Paul A

12

Anthony
Dunbar (2)

11

MEMO TO: Mrs. Brewer; Messrs. Beittel, Brock, Gibson, McCollum, Nelson, Pitts, Scull, Secrest, K. Smith, and M. Smith

FROM: Leslie W. Dunbar

RE: Annual Meeting

The program for the annual meeting, November 19-20, is enclosed. We would especially like for you who are attending your first annual meeting to find it a worthwhile and even an exciting experience.

I am sending you also a memorandum of mine written better than a year ago but still expressive of my hopes.

Although the Meeting does not begin until lunch on November 19, the staff has wondered if you might like to come in the evening before. Some of you have already expressed the desire to learn more closely of the Council's workings, and also to have an opportunity for a full exchange of ideas and questions about the current situation in the South.

If you would like, we could have dinner together on Sunday (alas!), November 18, say at about 6:30, and could talk on during the evening for as long as you care to. One or two other staff members might join me in this gathering and we feel sure some of the officers and Executive Committee members would also want to attend. There is a card enclosed for you to tell us whether you could or would wish to do this. If as many as four or five of you can, we shall make the arrangements. Please let us know as soon as convenient.

I and a couple of others of the staff will have to attend the Executive Committee meeting on Monday morning which precedes the opening of the Annual Meeting. Please feel free (and encouraged) to visit the office on Monday morning to talk with others of the staff who will be on hand.

PLEASE RETURN TO THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL
AT YOUR EARLIEST CONVENIENCE

I will / will not attend the Annual Meeting on November 19-20, 1962.

Please reserve a room at the Peachtree Manor on the night(s) of:

November 18 ( )
" 19 ( )
" 20 ( )

I prefer a single / double room.

Where possible, we hope members will share a room. If spouse will be with you, or if you wish to share a room with a specific person, please indicate: _____

All travel and related expenses pertaining to the meeting are paid by the Council. If you wish a travel advance, please indicate amount. $ _____

If you prefer reservations at other than the Peachtree Manor, or if the staff can make any other arrangements for you, please indicate below:

_____

_____

_____

_____

Signed _____

I would/~~would not~~ like to attend the Sunday evening dinner meeting for SRC new members.

Signed A D Bentel

I would/~~would not~~ like to attend the Sunday evening dinner meeting for SRC new members.

Signed Mrs. Joe R. Brewer

Mr. Brewer and I are driving and hope to arrive at the Peachtree Manor during Sunday afternoon, November 18. If suitable, Mr. Brewer would be happy to attend this dinner, also.

Drg. 314, Route 1 - Scott - Arkansas 10/27/62

I would/~~would not~~ like to attend the Sunday evening dinner meeting for SRC new members.

Signed Theo. R. Gibson

Let's have it for as many as want to even if only a few can make it

I would/~~would not~~ like to attend the Sunday evening dinner meeting for SRC new members.

Signed [illegible]

ARRIVE DELTA #821, 5:28 PM

I would/~~[redacted]~~ like to attend the Sunday evening dinner meeting for SRC new members.

Signed G. M. Secrest

Please notify me by Saturday, Nov. 17, the hour & place of this evening dinner on Sunday. Thanks.

I ~~would/~~ would not like to attend the Sunday evening dinner meeting for SRC new members.

Signed Kelly Mills Smith

Sorry it is inconvenient! I would like to, but find it mutually impossible

Same letter to other state council chairmen, including also Houston, New Orleans, and Mississippi.

File
Board annual meeting
1962

October 19, 1962

The Rev. Powers McLeod
Auburn, Alabama

Dear Mr. McLeod:

The Annual Meeting of the Southern Regional Council will be held in Atlanta on November ~~19-20~~ 25-26. Our Executive Committee has authorized me to invite you, as chairman of a state human relations council, to attend.

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I hope very much that you will be able to do so. There needs to be close ties ~~ties~~ between SRC and the state councils. Our members will also be glad for the opportunity of getting to know you better.

A copy of the program is enclosed. You will note that there is a business session on Monday afternoon. This will be, of course, ~~a~~ closed meetings of the Council members. All other sessions will be open to you, including the luncheons and the dinner, where you would be our guest.

We shall also be pleased to take care of your room expense while in Atlanta. Regrettably, we cannot assume your other travel costs. We hope the ~~Atl~~ Council will be able to provide ~~some~~ your Travel expenses.

Please let me know if you can attend.

Sincerely yours,

Leslie W. Dunbar

LWD:A
Enclosures
CC: Norman Jimerson

October 19, 1962

Mr. W. Theodore Baptist
101 S. Wren Street
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Baptist:

The Annual Meeting of the Southern Regional Council will be held in Atlanta on November 19-20. Our Executive Committee has authorized me to invite you, as chairman of a human relations council, to attend.

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Please let me know if you can attend.

Sincerely yours,

Leslie W. Dunbar

LWD:A
Enclosures

October 19, 1962

Dr. A. D. Beittel
President
Tougaloo College
Tougaloo, Mississippi

Dear Dr. Beittel:

The Annual Meeting of the Southern Regional Council will be held in Atlanta on November 19-20. Our Executive Committee has authorized me to invite you, as chairman of a ~~state~~ local human relations council, to attend.

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Sincerely yours,

Leslie W. Dunbar

LWD:A
Enclosures

First Baptist Church
319 EIGHTH AVENUE, NORTH
NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

KELLY MILLER SMITH
MINISTER

PHONE AL 5-8757

MA

October 30, 1962

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Dunbar:

Thank you for the invitation to have dinner with you at 6:30 Sunday, November 18. I would like this very much, but because I am just returning from an extended absence from my Church, I feel it necessary that I remain here on that date. However, I do plan to attend the meeting beginning November 19.

Again, thank you for your invitation and I look forward to seeing you on the 19th.

Yours sincerely,

Kelly Miller Smith

Kelly Miller Smith

KMS/jmo

Annual Meeting 1962

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

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Minutes of the Annual Meeting
November 19-20, 1962
Atlanta, Georgia

The Annual Meeting of the Southern Regional Council began on November 19, 1962 with an informal luncheon at 12:30 p.m., at the Peachtree Manor Hotel, Vice-President Josephine Wilkins presiding.

A list of the members attending is attached. All members of the professional staff were present, with Mrs. Montez Albright serving as recording secretary; other staff members attended various sessions as time and office duties allowed.

The business session convened at 2:00 p.m., with President James M. Dabbs presiding.

The report of the Executive Committee was given by the chairman, Mr. John H. Wheeler. Following discussion, it was moved, seconded, and unanimously adopted: That the report of the Executive Committee be accepted as given (Attachment A).

It was moved, seconded, and adopted unanimously: That the Council as a whole act in recognition of the past service and dedication of George S. Mitchell.

The Financial Report was given jointly by Mr. Anthony and Mrs. Alexander (Attachment B). Following questions and discussion, it was moved, seconded, and adopted unanimously: That the budget be approved on the following conditions: (1) that the Executive Committee review the budget periodically and take such steps as may appear to be necessary to keep program operations within the funds available; and (2) that the grants-in-aid schedule not be reduced below the $52,000 which now seems to be available for this purpose.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 3:25 p.m., the Council began executive session, with the staff on call.

On recommendation of the Executive Committee it was moved, seconded, and approved unanimously: That Leslie W. Dunbar be confirmed as Executive Director.

It was moved, seconded, and approved unanimously: That Mrs. Ruth H. Alexander be continued as Secretary-Treasurer.

It was moved, seconded, and approved unanimously: That Mr. Joseph F. Haas be retained as Counsel.

Nominating Committee Report

The report of the Nominating Committee was given by Dr. Luther H. Foster for the absent chairman, Mr. Irving E. Carlyle. Mr. Dabbs asked that Dr. Hancock take the chair, since his office would be included in the nominations.

It was moved, seconded, and approved unanimously: That the report of the Nominating Committee be accepted (Attachment C).

Mr. Dabbs then resumed the chair and reported that during the Executive Committee session that morning the Committee had authorized the appointment of a special committee to canvas possibilities for a new president of the Council and to report its findings to the Nominating Committee for its consideration. The members appointed are: M. A. Wright, chairman, with Miss Josephine Wilkins and S. J. Wright.

Mr. Dabbs then explained the action of the Executive Committee in recommending the activation of Article III of the By-Laws for the purpose of awarding honorary Fellowships to the Council; the initial small group to be named for life membership. He said the persons named are a distinguished group of people who have in the past been very helpful to the Council and whose assistance is needed now in furthering Council work.

The following were approved unanimously for Life Fellows of the Council: Mrs. Jessie Daniel Ames, Mr. Leonard Haas, Dr. Gordon Hancock, Bishop M. LaFayette Harris, and Dr. Edward A. McDowell.

It was moved, seconded, and approved unanimously: That in presenting future nominations for Life Fellows, members should present names along with biographical sketches some time in advance of the Annual Meeting to the Executive Committee for consideration and recommendation.

It was moved, seconded, and approved: That a scroll be presented to each of these Life Fellows; a citation accompanying the scroll to give reasons for nomination. Persons so nominated shall not have the right to vote.

Some concern was expressed that state council groups were not represented on the Nominating Committee and it was stated that they feel they deserve some consultation on persons to be nominated from their areas before action is taken.

Mr. Dabbs said that each member of the Council is written and asked to suggest names for the guidance of the Nominating Committee. He added that the concern seemed to be that state council people have prior notice of names to be submitted from their areas. He asked that it be recorded and passed along to the new Nominating Committee for their consideration as to the way future nominations be handled. He noted further that state councils are not affiliates of the Council but are autonomous organizations.

A request was made that the report of the Nominating Committee be mimeographed and included in the kit given out at the beginning of each meeting.

It was moved, seconded, and approved: That the Nominating Committee be requested to make the nominations before one session of the Council and that voting on the nominations be done at a subsequent session.

General Session

The members of the Executive Committee were introduced by Mr. Dunbar: Paul Christopher, Rufus Clement, James M. Dabbs, A. W. Dent, John A. Griffin, Joseph F. Haas, Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton, John A. Nelson, Jr., John H. Wheeler, Raymond Wheeler, Miss Josephine Wilkins, H. Franklin Williams, M. A. Wright, S. J. Wright, and Thomas W. Young.

First Program Session

Mr. John H. Wheeler, chairman of the Executive Committee, presided. Mr. Wiley A. Branton, director of the Voter Education Project, gave a lively and detailed report of his project.

Mrs. M. E. Tilly, director of Women's Work for the Council, gave a report of the meeting of the recent annual meeting of the Fellowship of the Concerned and passed around copies of the Workbook for Council members to examine. Present were 140 women, from 80 localities in 14 southern states.

The Council adjourned at 6:00 p.m., after an announcement of the dinner meeting at Stouffer's Restaurant at 7:00 p.m. Following the dinner, a panel of speakers addressed the members on the theme of prospects within the Deep South. The panel consisted of Rev. Will D. Campbell, associate executive director, Department of Racial and Cultural Relations, National Council of Churches; Dr. Lewis Wade Jones, Race Relations Department, Fisk University; Dr. James Wesley Silver, Professor of History, University of Mississippi; Vice President Rufus E. Clement presided.

Second Program Session
(November 20, 1962)

The meeting was called to order at 9:15 a.m., with Vice President A. W. Dent presiding.

Mr. Dunbar presented his report as Executive Director. He noted that organizationally, SRC has been kept this past year as it has been for several years. There are 20 full-time persons on the staff and one part-time mailroom worker; we also have Mr. Brewbaker working half-time. There are four more people who have some connection from time-to-time. The budget has been kept to the same level for the last several years (not including VEP). He remarked that we get from our resources a considerable amount of program.

Mr. Dunbar commented that, on the one hand, the Council is a committed organization (and through VEP we are engaged publicly in programs of activity that are bound to draw attention), and, on the other hand, we have boldly claimed for our publications objectivity. We have got away with this and it has taken some doing. He then reviewed programs now in progress.

Mr. Dunbar announced that the staff had informed the Executive Committee of its desire to undertake a thorough review and evaluation of program, to which the Executive Committee had given its hearty approval. The staff has asked Chairman Wheeler to appoint a sub-committee of the Executive Committee, and Mr. Dabbs to appoint a sub-committee of the Council, for the staff to consult with. The plan is to submit to the Executive Committee some time next Spring a study, with recommendations. If approved, to be submitted to the next annual meeting for its approval. The staff will also be writing to each for advice.

Suggestion on Program from the Floor

(1) that the staff give more leadership to state councils in suggesting ways they may do outstanding jobs, particularly on ways to draw people in and make them feel an involvement. New South could do more in this line.

(2) that a study be made on what makes Mississippi Mississippi, and the study published, with implications drawn for the entire southern region.

(3) that SRC take more direct responsibility in the hiring of executive directors of the state organizations.

(4) that some means be devised by the staff to get through its message in ways which can be popularized: literature, poetry, theatre, sketches over radio and TV.

(5) that some means be devised to encourage isolated individuals so they can keep up their stamina and faith.

(6) that SRC consider getting together groups of professional social workers in the South for consultation.

(7) that the Executive Committee give consideration to holding two meetings each year or to extending the Fall meeting another day so that consideration can be given on how to implement the suggestions made and how to find answers to the questions asked.

(8) that consideration be given to working with the press on a man-to-man basis before we reach the stage of having institutes, plays, and dramas. It is only through an enlightened press that an atmosphere can be created in which politicians can feel free to take steps.

(9) that SRC publish, either specially or in New South, a periodic "box score" of progress in human relations in the South.

Dr. Dent announced that this ended the program discussion. He continued by saying that we do not know the answers to many of the questions posed. SRC can try to find ways of approaching the problems which confront us and do what we can about them. He said that it is important to look for new techniques and to think about these problems. He thought it was most important for us to do what we know how to do.

Two special reports from staff members were heard. One from Mr. Benjamin Muse on his visit to American installations in Germany on behalf of the President's Committee on Equal Opportunity in the Armed Forces. Mr. Muse, who is one of seven members of the Committee, was requested by the Committee to visit American installations in Germany and report his findings.

The second was from Mr. Paul Rilling, on the general health of the State Councils. Total membership, he reported, now stands at about 6,500, which is about 1,000 more than last year and 2,000 more than two years ago. The perennial problem, he said, is how to maintain a program holding and attracting young Negro professional and business men, while at the same time holding the concerned white people who are cautious about militant tactics. The Councils are, he noted, primarily an urban type movement; we need to consider how they can be effective in rural areas.

Resolutions

It was moved, seconded, and voted unanimously to adopt the Resolution (prepared by Dr. Hancock) on Dr. P. Bernard Young, Sr. (Attachment D).

It was moved, seconded, and voted unanimously to adopt the Resolution on Dr. George S. Mitchell (Attachment E).

It was moved, seconded, and voted unanimously to adopt the Resolution on Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt (Attachment F).

After each Resolution, the Chairman requested a short period of silent commemoration for these friends of civil rights. The secretary was instructed to send a copy of each resolution to the family with a personal letter.

The group expressed sincere appreciation and thanks to Paul Anthony for making the arrangements for the meeting.

The staff was directed to prepare letters of appreciation to the Peachtree Manor Hotel and to Stouffer's Restaurant.

It was moved, seconded, and approved: that President Dabbs appoint a committee to recommend an appropriate George Mitchell Award.

The Council adjourned at 12:30 p.m., to reconvene for luncheon and the President's Address (reprinted in New South, November-December 1962). Vice President Marion A. Wright presided.

ATTACHMENT A

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE TO THE ANNUAL MEETING
1962

John H. Wheeler, Chairman
Presented: November 19th

Since the full Council was last assembled, your Executive Committee has met four times to carry out the mandates of the 1961 Annual Meeting and to give policy direction to the staff.

We are pleased to report that, in our opinion, the year has been a productive one. The Council has had to face not only the new realities of constant change in a region greatly dissimilar in its progress and problems, but has faced the challenge of several new programs, untried and pioneering. These matters we look on as encouraging as we approach the end of the Council's 19th year of operation.

Ten outstanding Southerners elected by this body last year have accepted membership in the Council. They are:

For the Class of 1962 -

The Rev. Theodore Gibson, Miami, Fla.

For the Class of 1965 -

Dr. A. D. Beittel, Tougaloo, Miss.
The Rev. M. D. McCollom, Orangeburg, S. C.
Mr. John P. Nelson, New Orleans, La.
Mr. Lucius Pitts, Birmingham, Ala.
Mr. David Scull, Annandale, Va.
Mr. Andrew Secrest, Cheraw, S. C.
The Rev. Kelly M. Smith, Nashville, Tenn.
Mr. McNeill Smith, Greensboro, N. C.

In addition, the Executive Committee, as authorized under the By-Laws, chose Dr. Crawford Brock of Rome, Ga., for the vacancy in the Class of 1963 created by the resignation of Mr. Wiley Branton to accept appointment as Director of the Voter Education Project.

Most of these new members are with us today. We welcome them and the contributions they have to make to the deliberations of this body.

Regretfully, Dr. Arthur Gray of Talladega, Alabama has resigned because of leaving the region.

During the year the Executive Committee, acting on recommendations from the Personnel Committee, has reviewed salaries, granted merit increases, and otherwise carried out its responsibilities with regard to personnel.

There have been several professional personnel changes. Dr. James A. Moss completed his one year appointment as Director of Research, following which he toured Europe and Africa on a brief State Department assignment before returning to his academic duties. To fill this position the Council has employed Mr. Staige D. Blackford, a native of Virginia and most recently editor of the Louisiana State University Press. We welcome Mr. Blackford to the staff.

Mr. Jack Minnis joined the Voter Education Project staff. Mr. Minnis is a native of Oklahoma and a long-time resident of Louisiana, where he has recently completed course studies at Tulane University for his Ph.D. degree in political science.

Mr. George Barrett, attorney of Nashville, has worked part-time with both the central and the VEP staffs as a special program consultant.

Most regretfully, on November 2, we accepted the resignation of Mr. Paul Rilling, who has been Director of Field Activities since July 1959. In early December Mr. Rilling will become the Executive Director of the Commissioners' Council on Human Relations of the District of Columbia. We are pleased to see that Mr. Rilling has been selected for such an important post and note the growing list of former SRC staff members who now occupy important positions in the human relations field throughout the country. We have mixed emotions--both pride and concern--that the Council should be the training ground for so much of the human relations field leadership of Detroit, New York, and Washington! Nevertheless, we deeply regret Mr. Rilling's leaving and wish him well.

In the Spring we were saddened to learn of the death of Dr. George Mitchell, the Council's Executive Director from 1947 to 1957. Mr. Paul Williams, the Council's president during much of this period, wrote a tribute to Dr. Mitchell which was published in New South. This and an Executive Committee resolution were forwarded to Mrs. Mitchell in Scotland and sent to Council members. All of us owe a great deal to Dr. Mitchell for his long service in enriching and extending the democratic society. This body may wish to take some further action in recognition of our gratitude and loss.

A major portion of the Committee's guidance on program during the year has been devoted to the Voter

Education Project. In practically every sense, this project represents a major new responsibility for the Council. The funds involved during each of two years represent sums almost as large as those of all regular Council expenditures. This is an unprecedentedly organized and financed effort to extend access to the ballot and its use in a region notoriously low in citizen participation. It is, too, a promising opportunity to achieve cooperation among the principal civil rights organizations active in the South. We believe we need not remind this body of the importance of this undertaking nor of the long range significance to the region if any measure of the desired success is realized.

We were fortunate in achieving the services of Mr. Wiley A. Branton, a former member of this body, as director of the project. Later today you will hear a detailed report from Mr. Branton on the project, its programs and plans.

There are, however, several steps the project has taken under the direction of the Executive Committee which should now be reported to you:

1. Prior to accepting any contributions for this project, a ruling was secured from the Internal Revenue Service, indicating that the Project, if properly conducted, would not jeopardize the Council's tax exemption.

2. The Project was planned and is being conducted in a strictly non-partisan manner. Our interest is in the full participation of all citizens in the democratic process, not in promoting the special interest of any particular group.

3. The Project is heavily research oriented. It has been designed to produce a maximum of significant information of long-term value. We are hopeful the Project will make an important contribution to the knowledge of this field which will have value long after the Project itself is terminated.

Other of the Council's programs have continued. Field activities have been expanded in some directions, as Mr. Dunbar will discuss for you tomorrow. Research and publication has been sustained. The Executive Committee would particularly remind you of the report titled <u>Executive Support for Civil Rights</u>, a description and

analysis of the first 14 months of the Kennedy Administration. This received widespread attention, both in the press and in Washington offices: an illustration of the latter is that the White House ordered over 1,000 copies.

Last year during the Annual Meeting there was a discussion of the Council's policy statement issued during 1951. At that time this body requested that each member be sent a copy of the statement, after which the Executive Committee was to be guided by the response of the members. The great majority of those members who responded indicated they felt no change was necessary or desirable. Therefore, no action has been taken on this matter.

On several occasions the problem of finding attorneys to represent persons identified with unpopular causes in the civil rights field has been discussed. This year the Executive Committee has requested that Mr. Dunbar invite those members who are attorneys to a meeting to consider this matter. That meeting will be held tomorrow afternoon imediately after the Annual Meeting. We are hopeful this distinguished group of persons can suggest some effective action in this area. We are hopeful also that this is but the first effort to bring together small groups of Council members with particular professional or other interests who can give the Committee and the staff the benefit of the considerable knowledge and experience represented in this body.

Next year we are hopeful of calling on you for more than the usual guidance in program planning. The trend of the region toward becoming an area of great internal dissimilarities, with many different kinds and degrees of problems, is accelerating. In this new era it may well be that many of the Council's traditional programs need to be questioned and entirely new programs and approaches need to be considered. With this in mind, the Committee welcomed the staff's plan to review programs and to submit a comprehensive report to the Executive Committee next spring. You will be asked by letter during the next months to share with the staff and the Executive Committee your thoughts on the present soundness and future direction of SRC programs. In addition, President Dabbs will soon appoint a subcommittee from the general membership to consult more closely with the Executive Committee and the staff in preparation of the final report. At next year's meeting we hope to have a formal report submitted by the Executive Committee to the full Council.

Today marks another milestone in the history of Council meetings. As you see, for the first time we are able to hold our meeting in a downtown Atlanta hotel. And, the only function held outside the hotel, our dinner this evening, will be at Stouffer's Restaurant where there are no restrictions. We commend the Peachtree Manor Hotel for voluntarily setting this excellent example of good business practice, an example as yet unfollowed by Atlanta's other hotels. We also commend Stouffer's Restaurant which last year opened two restaurants in the Merchandise Mart in downtown Atlanta and, from the day of opening, has placed no restrictions on its patronage. We feel there is a significance that transcends convenience in the physical arrangements of the Council's meeting this year.

The Executive Committee has exercised its responsibility in supervising the grants-in-aid program for the state councils on human relations. We are pleased to report that most of the state councils are showing increased vigor in both program and fund-raising. Later in the meeting, you will have before you, for approval, the grants-in-aid schedule for 1963 which has been reviewed and approved by the Executive Committee. For 1963, we are recommending an increase of approximately 10% over the rate of the funds granted for the past several years. This is the only area of the Council's operation in which an appreciable increase in spending is recommended.

It would, of course, be desirable to have an ever increasing amount of funds available for all of the Council's programs. But, unfortunately, this desire is not necessarily consistent with fund-raising realities. During 1962 we have been operating on a general operations budget of $175,395. You will be presented today the Committee's recommendation for a general operations budget of approximately $178,381 for 1963. In light of the fact that the Voter Education Project has imposed on general operations a number of expenditures not related to normal program, this recommended figure is actually a decrease from our present operating schedule.

Fund-raising remains a perennial problem, and requires considerable staff time. It was, therefore, the feeling of the staff and the Committee that it would be unwise to propose to you today an increased budget which would greatly increase the problem and automatically obligate the staff to even time spent in fund-raising.

In conclusion, it is the opinion of your Executive Committee that the year 1962 has been a rewarding one. The Executive Committee and the staff are aware that the responsibilities and challenges of the Council are such that we cannot entertain the least measure of complacency about our skills, our achievements, or our progress. It is in this spirit that we approach 1963 and the Council's 20th year of operation.

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Attachment B

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

Operating Budgets and Income Forecast - 1963
(Proposed)

SYNOPSIS

Budgeted:		
General Operations	$178,481	
Special Projects	376,700	
Total		$555,181
Income Forecast:		
General Operations	$101,000	
Special Projects	363,300	
Total		$464,300
Balance to be Raised:		
General Operations	77,481	
Special Projects	13,400	
Total		$90,881

P. 1 - Proposed Budget, General Operations

P. 2 - Projected Income, General Operations

P. 3 - Proposed Budget, Special Projects

Projected Income Special Projects

GENERAL OPERATIONS

Item	Proposed 1963	1962	Spent, 1st 10 months 1962	Spent 1961
Salaries	$103,781	$105,495	$85,500.81	$97,419
Social Security	2,500	2,400	2,323.94	2,554
Travel	10,000	9,500	9,261.12	9,685
Telephone & Telegraph	5,000	4,500	3,983.86	4,909
Executive Committee & Annual Meetings	7,000	5,200	2,426.07	5,588
Consultant Fees & Travel	4,500	4,500	3,632.24	3,734
Books, Subscriptions & Research Services	3,000	1,800	1,920.32	1,801
Office Supplies & Equipment	4,500	5,500	5,657.68	3,119
NEW SOUTH, Printing, Postage & Fees	9,800	9,500	5,671.47	9,562
Postage, General	2,100	1,700	1,728.56	1,603
Printing	11,500	11,500	7,439.22	6,411
Rent	7,200	7,200	6,000.00	7,200
Accounting	700	600	635.00	920
Insurance, General & Staff Benefits	5,000	5,000	4,034.77	3,178
Foreign Visitor Expenses	600	-	748.92	-
Miscellaneous	1,300	1,000	1,276.01	1,811
TOTALS	$178,481	$175,395	$142,239.99	$159,494

Proposed Minimum Operating Budget - 1963		$178.481
Projected Income: (General Operations)		
Foundations:		
Field Foundation	$25,000	
New World Foundation	25,000	
Taconic Foundation	25,000	
Marion Ascoli Fund	1,000	
Adele Levy Fund	1,000	
		77,000
Other:		
Overhead from Project Grants	13,500	
Individual Contributions	1,500	
New South Subscriptions	5,000	
Churches	3,000	
Other	1,000	
		24,000
Total, Projected Income		$101,000
Balance to Be Raised	$77,481	
Income, General Operations 1st 10 months, 1962	$142,344.42	
Income, General Operations 1961	174,410.77	

SPECIAL PROJECTS, 1963

Proposed Budgets:

Southern Leadership Project		$40,000
Grants-in-Aid Program		55,800
Voter Education Project		262,000
Fellowship of the Concerned		5,000
Special Fund for Educational Projects (estimated)		4,500
Research in Pupil Adjustment		
Current project to Sept. 1	$6,800	
Continuation thru Dec. 31	2,600	9,400
Total		$376,700

Income Expectable:

Southern Leadership Project		
Rockefeller Brothers Fund		$40,000
Grants-in-Aid Program		
Field Foundation	$25,000	
Taconic Foundation	25,000	50,000
Voter Education Project		
Taconic Foundation	$125,000	
Field Foundation	75,000	
Stern Family Fund	62,000	262,000
Special Fund for Educational Projects		
New World Foundation (estimated)		4,500
Research in Pupil Adjustment		
General Education Board (estimated)		6,800
Total		$363,300
BALANCE TO BE RAISED		$ 13,400

ATTACHMENT C

REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE TO THE ANNUAL MEETING 1962

The Nominating Committee of the Southern Regional Council for 1962 consists of Mr. Irving Carlyle, Dr. Luther H. Foster, Rabbi Charles Mantinband, Dr. Raymond Wheeler, and Mr. Thomas Young.

On September 6, 1962 this Committee met to select nominees for officers and members of the Council. Last year this body, by resolution, requested that the Nominating Committee take into account the participation of potential members in state councils on human relations. We are pleased to report that the great majority of those persons who will be recommended to you today have been active in this area.

By unanimous vote, the Committee adopted the following slate of nominees to be presented at the Annual Meeting of the Council:

Officers

President — James McBride Dabbs

Vice Presidents — Rufus E. Clement
Albert W. Dent
Miss Josephine Wilkins
Marion A. Wright

Nominating Committee for 1963
(two additional members appointed by Executive Committee)

Irving Carlyle
Luther Foster
Charles Mantinband

Executive Committee
(in addition to the President, Vice Presidents and Counsel)

Paul R. Christopher
John A. Griffin
Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton
John P. Nelson, Jr.
John H. Wheeler
Raymond Wheeler
H. Franklin Williams
Stephen J. Wright
Thomas W. Young

Members

Members of Class of 1962, re-elected to Class of 1966

Benjamin E. Mays
Francis Pickens Miller
L. D. Milton
Riley B. Montgomery
Samuel Proctor
Mrs. J. N. Rayzor
J. M. Richards
Harry V. Richardson
Rabbi Jacob Rothschild
Miss Dorcas Ruthenburg
Walter Sharp
Charles A. Shaw
Courtney Siceloff
The Rt. Rev. Msgr. Alexander O. Sigur
J. Ray Shute
The Rev. Theodore R. Gibson

For vacancy in Class of 1965 (to replace Dr. Arthur Gray)

Mrs. Moise Cahn - New Orleans

New Members to Class of 1966

Roosevelt D. Crockett - Little Rock, Ark.
Edward Haddock, M.D. - Richmond, Va.
Mrs. Martin Harvey - Jackson, Miss.
Robert J. Harris - Nashville, Tenn.
John G. Lewis - Baton Rouge, La.
J. Rupert Picott - Richmond, Va.
William H. Townsend - Little Rock, Ark.
Nat Welch - Auburn, Ala.
Moreland G. Smith - Montgomery, Ala.

ATTACHMENT D

Resolution

The ship sailing out of the harbor bound for distant shores is soon lost to view beyond the horizon, but it sails on. The sun which so recently shone in its meridian splendour is so soon hidden behind the hills of the solemn west, but it shines on. So those we love and lose a while live on in that Great Beyond and in the labours and in the memories of their comrades in the great struggle to make this a better world. So lives Dr. P. Bernard Young, whose recent passing fills us with profound sorrow and with reverential concern. Dr. Young was one of the moving and effective figures who helped to shape events which surrounded the genesis of our great Southern Regional Council.

He was chairman of the historic Durham Conference which eventuated into the Atlanta and Richmond Conferences which eventuated into the Southern Regional Council. Without the great influence of Dr. Young and his ably edited Journal & Guide, the Durham Conference would not have come to pass. This Council will remember Dr. Young with a reverential gratitude born of the knowledge that in him we have lost one of our illustrious founders and stalwart supporters.

Be it resolved that this Council, in annual session assembled on November 20, 1962, subscribe the sentiments as our humble but grateful tribute to him who was in spirit and in deed our great benefactor; and that a copy of this resolution be tendered the family.

ATTACHMENT E

Resolution

The Southern Regional Council, at annual meeting assembled on November 20, 1962, pauses in its deliberations to pay special tribute to the memory of George Sinclair Mitchell and to his years of devoted and inspiring leadership of this body.

The South and the nation are richer because of his many contributions to a fuller recognition of the dignity of all men.

He was prophet and poet, and more; he was a creative, imaginative man who saw a vision of a more democratic South wherein the false barriers of the past would no longer hinder any man from attaining a good education, a rewarding job, and a decent home.

We are all poorer at his loss. But this Council and the work it does is a living testimony to him. So long as men strive for freedom, so long as they revere liberty, the name of George Mitchell and the memory of the man will never die.

ATTACHMENT F

Resolution

The Members of the Southern Regional Council, meeting in annual session in Atlanta on November 19, 1962, note with sorrow and regret the recent loss to the world of Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt.

No American in this century has made so great a contribution to the cause of equality and human dignity. Mrs. Roosevelt abhorred any form of racial or religious prejudice. For over thirty years she labored unceasingly against intolerance and injustice: in the South, in the nation, throughout the world. The Universal Declaration on Human Rights of the United Nations is a lasting memorial to her concern for man.

Mrs. Roosevelt was a strong ally of those Southerners who are striving for the elimination of discrimination and segregation in the South. She will be sorely missed.

PERSONS ATTENDING THE ANNUAL MEETING
November 19 - 20, 1962

Abram, Morris
Alexander, Fred
Baptist, Ted
Barrett, George
Beckwith, H. I.
Beittel, A. C.
Branton, Wiley
Brazeal, B. R.
Brewbaker, J. J.
Brewer, Mr. & Mrs. Joe R.
Brooke, W. C.
Burney, I. H.
Campbell, Will D.
Cartwright, C. S.
Christopher, Mr. & Mrs. Paul
Clement, R. E.
Coles, Mr. & Mrs. Robert
Crate, Mrs. J. S.
Davidson, Mr. & Mrs. H. M.
Dabbs, Mr. & Mrs. James M.
Dabbs, Messrs.
Demere, Charles
Dent, Albert W.
Doggett, Caxton
Foster, L. H.
Gomillion, C. G.
Gibson, T. R.
Graham, Hugh
Haas, Joseph
Hamilton, Mrs. Grace T.
Hancock, Gordon B.
Hunter, Duncan
Jackson, Douglas
Johnson, Guy B.
Jones, Lewis W.
Kehrer, E. T.
Kimball, Mr. & Mrs. A.
McCollom, M. D.
Mantinband, Charles
Mason, Vivian Carter
Montgomery, R. B.
Morgan, Charles
Muse, Mr. & Mrs. Ben
Nelson, John P., Jr.
Parrish, C. H.
Pauley, Mrs. Frances
Pitts, Lucius
Rayzor, Mrs. J. N.
Reese, Fred
Richardson, Harry V.
Rothschild, Jacob
Scull, David
Secrest, A. M.
Shaw, Charles A.
Shaw, Mrs. E. P.
Siceloff, Courtney
Sigur, Rt. Rev. Msgr. A.O.
Silver, James W.
Smith, Kelly M.
Smith, McNeill
Solomon, W. E.
Steele, Charles T.
Stewart James E.
Stokely, James
Sytz, Miss Florence
Thomas, Lee B., Jr.
Trenholm, H. C.
Wheeler, John H.
Wheeler, Dr. & Mrs. R.
White, Mrs. Charles W.
Wiley, Mr. & Mrs. Bell I.
Wilkins, Miss Josephine
Williams, H. F.
Williams, Paul
Wright, M. A.
Wright, S. J.
Wulf, Melvin L.
Young, Thomas W.

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December 4, 1962

Mr. Paul Anthony
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Anthony:

I am most appreciative of your kind letter of the 27th especially the fact that on many occassions we get letters that are not so nice in regard to our policy here at the hotel. I assure you that although it has been a most trying experience, it has been one that I am most happy was taken. There are many who have stopped with us in the past for many years that have felt our decision was not to their liking and have made this emphatically known to us not only by discontinuing their visits to our hotel but also by trying to get their friends to do likewise.

In every instance where this has been made known to us, we have tried to make these people understand that we only try to take ladies and gentlemen and on many occassions have had to turn people away. We do this to try to make them understand that a person is a gentlemen or lady without any relation to the color of their skin. Thank you again for your letter.

Sinerely,

Irving H. Goldstein, D.D.S.

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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

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MEMORANDUM December 4, 1963

To: Members of the Council

From: Mildred M. Johnson
Secretary to the Director

Re: New Dates for SRC Annual Meeting

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The new dates for the Annual Meeting are JANUARY 29 - 30. Our meeting will now be held at the Peachtree Manor Hotel, 826 Peachtree Street, N. E., Atlanta, Georgia (the Howard Johnson South Motel where we had planned to hold our meeting in November is booked up for the month of January). All functions will be held at the Peachtree Manor and Members housed there, with the exception of the Annual Dinner, which will be at Stouffer's Restaurant on the evening of the 29th at 7:00 p.m.

The meeting will begin at noon on Wednesday, January 29 and conclude with lunch on Thursday, January 30. The Executive Committee will meet Wednesday at 10:00 a.m., prior to the first session of the Annual Meeting.

At your earliest convenience please fill in and return the enclosed form in the stamped, addressed envelope.

The program, which you have in hand, and as had been planned for the November meeting, will remain the same.

We hope that you will make every effort to be with us on January 29 and 30.

February 21, 1962

Mr. Leonard Haas — Lee, Annual Rept
Haas, Dunaway, Shelfer & Haas
Suite 601 Haas-Howell Building
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Haas:

It was very kind of you to write me. I am deeply grateful for your comment.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director

LWD/mmj

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February 19, 1962

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar,
Executive Director,
Southern Regional Council, Inc.,
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.,
Atlanta 3, Georgia.

My dear Mr. Dunbar:

I thank you for sending me the Annual Report of the Council.

I have read the review of its various activities with a great deal of pleasure as well as admiration.

As one who helped organize the Council, and who prepared and filed the original Petition for the Corporate Charter, I am very proud of your fine leadership of the Council. You are in all respects a worthy successor to George Mitchell and Harold Fleming.

Best wishes,

Leonard Haas

Leonard Haas

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February 21, 1962

Mr. Richard L. Ottinger
Ottinger Foundation
11 West 42nd Street
New York 36, New York

Dear Mr. Ottinger:

I thought you might be interested in having the enclosed copy of my Annual Report to the Council for 1961.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director

LWD/mf
Enclosure - 1. (Annual Report)

SAME LTR. SENT TO THE FOLLOWING:

Mr. and Mrs. Robert H. Moench
Mt. Vernon Country Club
Route 3
Golden, ~~Colorado~~ Col.

Miss Mary Goepfert
Minneapolis, Minn.

Mr. & Mrs. DeJongh Franklin
Atlanta, Ga.

Mr. & Mrs. Frederick Jeffrey
Greenwich, Conn.

Mrs. Albert Lasker
New York

Mr. Harold Evans
Anna H. & Elizabeth Chace Fund
Philly

Mr. Wilton Dillon
New York

Mr. Edmund Rosenthal
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A Review of Program Activities During 1961

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ANNUAL REPORT OF PROGRAM ACTIVITIES

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My predecessor was wont to have his Annual Report in your hands in November. In this as in many things it has been hard for me to emulate.

The year 1961 brought important changes in the leadership of SRC. Dr. Rufus E. Clement, for many years Chairman of the Executive Committee, resigned that post in January 1961. John H. Wheeler, of Durham, was elected as his successor. In March, Harold C. Fleming, Executive Director since 1957, resigned, and the staff direction of the Council was entrusted to me. I know that I speak also for John Wheeler in acknowledging the great contributions made by Dr. Clement - still an active member of the Executive Committee -, and by Harold Fleming - still the Council's good friend and valued co-worker.

New members of the Executive Committee are H. Franklin Williams, Vice-President of the University of Miami; and Stephen J. Wright, President of Fisk University. They succeed the Rev. Duncan Hunter and L. D. Milton, both of whom have served the Council long and devotedly.

The past year in the South measured up in interest and excitement to the dizzying marks set by its forerunners. From crowded events to select a few as chief is, at best, a clumsy attempt to predict the future. One can,

nevertheless, say with some confidence that four developments dominated the year's events. The federal government was incomparably more active than ever before. School desegregation was entirely peaceful, and in Tennessee and Virginia began to advance beyond token dimensions. A noticeably more moderate political climate gained and spread, to everywhere except Alabama, Louisiana, Mississippi, and South Carolina; even in Louisiana, Baton Rouge was induced to tolerate school desegregation in New Orleans. The Freedom Ride into Alabama and Mississippi, important in itself, introduced what have become two new patterns of challenge and response: direct action against segregation led by organized staffs; more sophisticated techniques of police suppression.

These were the trends and occurrences within which the Council's activities took place during 1961.

Field Programs

A game of semantics has been popular in recent years, played around the terms "integration", "desegregation", and "race mixing". The word "desegregation" has been preferred by the South's liberals and moderates, both because it seemed more palatable to many and because it is, in fact, the most accurate in describing what has been taking place. The good old English word "mix" has been taken over by the segregationists, and put to use as an epithet.

Yet it is clear that the only realistic solution to the South's - and the nation's - racial ills is neither a topys-turvy mixing nor a grudging desegregation, but a wholesome integration of the talents, the strengths, the dreams of neighbors in a community, of fellow-citizens in the nation. To this end the obstructions of law and custom have to be overcome, and the civil rights struggle is doing that. But beyond civil rights is the opportunity to build in the South a decent, satisfying human community.

The state and local Councils on Human Relations are dedicated to that end. Through combined labors in the civil rights campaign, their Negro and white members are learning now the values of the integrated society which has to be woven here in the South. During 1961, the Councils grew in number, in activity, and in influence. Membership was up from 4700 in 1960 to 6400, and there are now some 65 local councils. Funds raised locally (exclusive of any foundation grants or SRC grants-in-aid) increased from $50,335 to $56,626. With the help of SRC's Director of Field Activities, Paul Rilling, promising beginnings were made in the formation of a Council in Mississippi and first steps were taken in Louisiana; in Texas, the other state without an active state Council, the Houston Council grew steadily. Exceptionally able staff persons were found to fill vacancies in Alabama, Georgia, and Virginia. Special foundation grants permitted Georgia

to appoint an associate staff director, and Tennessee to put into effect a very interesting plan of enlarged staff services.

There are places in the Deep South where local Councils still feel constrained to meet secretly. The Fairfax County (Va.) Council conducts integrated youth camps. These contrasts reflect the differences of the region. Within the contrasts there is a similar need for racial cooperation in ending discrimination and in integrating the energies of the South.

Our interests in this field are expressed not only through the state Councils, but through the overlapping organization of southern church women into the Fellowship of the Concerned, led by SRC's and the South's indomitable Mrs. M. E. Tilly. The Fellowship's annual meeting in November was the largest in years. Speakers included the Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr. and Bishop John O. Smith, of the North Georgia Conference of the Methodist Church. State meetings of the Fellowship were held in Florida and Georgia. Despite a broken hip and the saddest of family trials, Mrs. Tilly continues her great captaincy of the southern conscience.

The third principal field program is quite different. The Southern Leadership Project is a quiet ministry of realism among economic, educational, and civic leaders of the South. Benjamin Muse, who has led the Project since its inception in early 1959, and his associates have been

remarkably successful in establishing dialogue with decision makers, supplying them with information, linking them into communication with their counterparts in other locales of the region. This valuable program began in 1961 a concentrated focus on the Deep South states.

Col. Muse's book, Virginia's Massive Resistance, was published by Indiana University Press, and received wide and favorable reviews. Many copies of the book, written as a part of the Leadership Project, have been selectively distributed throughout the South.

Other field activities are less a matter of program than of service. Officers as well as staff members are involved in numerous conferences, in speech making, and in unending and fruitful conversations with other agencies and persons working in the race relations field. SRC acts as the secretariat for the Southern Interagency Conference, which quarterly brings together the agencies conducting human relations and civil rights programs.

The Voter Education Project

An extraordinary amount of staff time, energy, and thought were given to the development of what will be one of the most ambitious projects in SRC's history. The Voter Education Project will place SRC in the role

of allocating substantial sums of money to other civil rights groups for the support of their voter registration work, and of coordinating their efforts. Our involvement will be designed and limited in such a way as to serve our traditional research interest in voting patterns. The Project's beginning waits now on receipt of a requested advance ruling from the Treasury that it is consistent with our tax-exemption charter. Note is made of it here, however, because the planning of it bulked so large in our 1961 activities.

One by-product of the planning stage of the Project has been a phenomenon that appears throughout our other affairs as well. The Council has always enjoyed close and friendly relations with allied agencies. During 1961, with the emergence into prominence of some relatively new groups, SRC was tested as perhaps never before in its capacity to be a trusted co-laborer and resource for all. Numerous informal relationships, as well as the heavy demands of the Voter Education Project, obligate SRC to make its unique contribution to the maintenance of both momentum and responsibility, and the minimizing of inevitable friction, within the civil rights movement.

Research

In January 1961 the Council brought out The Federal Executive and Civil Rights. Few if any of our

publications have been as useful. Not only was press attention excellent, but the report was gratifyingly well received by the new Administration.

Shortly after publication, an officer and three staff members of the Council were among a small group of Southerners called to Washington for a conference with the Attorney-General on civil rights issues, and a subsequent meeting with the Vice-President.

A Special Report in May, The Freedom Ride, also got wide-spread comment. Because the report asked certain questions about the practicality of the Freedom Ride, although indicating at the same time a basic approval, some of our friends had reservations about it. SRC staff read and heard of these reservations. The staff's conviction has not lessened on the crucial point, which is that the Council has achieved a reputation for informed, objective interpretation of events in the South, and it is our constant responsibility to merit that reputation. It is essential that the Council maintain its intellectual independence, and for the Council it would be out of character to register its interpretations and judgments covertly. We were gratified, therefore, by the observation of the Atlanta Constitution's editor, in his daily column, that we had "not dodged self-searching, which is a requirement of responsible liberalism."

Under the able guidance of Research Director James A. Moss, other publications were released during 1961. The entire list is as follows:

Pamphlets

Houston: The Negro and Employment Opportunities in the South. Based on a survey by Art Gallaher, Jr., Associate Professor of Anthropology and Sociology, University of Houston. (The first of a series of employment studies in southern cities.)

Notable Addresses

Haywood N. Hill, This I Believe

Daniel C. Thompson, The Case for Integration

Special Reports

Mary Ellen Goodman, Sanctuaries for Tradition: Virginia's New Private Schools

The Freedom Ride

The Student Protest Movement: A Recapitulation

Leadership Reports

L-23 - Desegregation in Higher Education

L-24 - From an address by Malcolm Bryan, President of the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta,---on the Importance of Maintaining Law and Order to Secure Outside Capital Investment

L-24A- New School Laws in Georgia

L-25 - New Census Look at Cities and Race
(Reprinted from the Washington Post)

L-26 - From an address by General Lucius D. Clay, Chairman of the Board, Continental Can Company, etc.

L-27 - The Hard or the Easy Way?

L-28 - Organizations Supporting the Student Protest Movement.

L-29 - ---A resolution passed at the recent annual meeting of the American Anthropological Association ---

Miscellaneous

The Federal Executive and Civil Rights.

A brief special mention is due Dr. Haywood Hill's This I Believe. Demand has been so great that, after an initial printing of 12,000 copies, we have printed 50,000 more and our stock now is low.

Reaction to Crisis

By its nature, the Council can be of only limited usefulness during a crisis, and sometimes can only despairingly recognize that it can do nothing until the storm abates. Whether and how we can act depends partly on the situation, partly on the resources we have. During 1960, the Southern Leadership Project

helped substantially to hasten solution of lunch-counter controversies in several places. In 1961, New Orleans and Albany (Ga.) provided examples of what SRC can do, and also cannot do. In both of the illustrations it will be noted that SRC worked with and through a Human Relations Council or other like-principled group.

In New Orleans, for the second year in a row, SRC conducted special programs, aiding and advising the work of local groups concerned with orderly desegregation. Special foundation grants permitted the preparation and distribution of educational materials. SRC's Director of Field Activities spent much of his time during the Summer in New Orleans, helping to plan and coordinate the citizens movement which this year made a decisive contribution to peaceful desegregation. (Similar program was conducted in Atlanta.)

When the disorders of Albany began in early December we noted the complete absence of communication between the white and Negro sections, and we saw also a hope that some could be started. The Director of the Georgia Council on Human Relations, Mrs. William C. Pauley, after consultation with SRC staff, went to Albany. Patient, skilled mediation on her part (only momentarily halted by her arrest, and quick release on the Mayor's instruction) got negotiations started. After two days these collapsed, and the large march

and more arrests took place. SRC's Director of Field Activities then went to Albany, in company with an Anti-Defamation League representative. The two of them, through hours of quiet labor, brought about the resumption of negotiations, and were channels for messaging back and forth until an agreement was reached. Throughout this critical period, SRC staff in Atlanta was in almost continual phone communication with persons active in Albany and with the press which was covering the event. Mrs. Pauley returned to Albany in January, and worked closely with the Negro movement in framing and presenting its case before the City Commission. She has since remained close to the situation.

In the meantime, because we thought the Albany crisis enclosed so many pregnant issues that needed to be understood, we engaged Professor Howard Zinn, Spelman College historian, to write a report. He worked through his Christmas holiday and the report was released in early January. We chose not to give it a press release because, in this case, our aim was not to add a news factor but to deepen the understanding of those actively involved in crisis, or required by their positions to interpret it or react to it. For the same reason, we wanted the report done before the crisis ended.

Within days of release and distribution, the Albany police chief - criticized in the report - ordered a number of extra copies. The Negro movement in Albany sent for 400. And comments from other sources, such as the following, indicated that the report was serving its purpose:

from a wire-service reporter

> I must admit you have out-reported newsmen on the job.---Many of the features of the report were news to me - a reporter who arrived in Albany December 11. Having covered Freedom Rides in Jackson, Mississippi and racial developments in McComb, Mississippi before Albany - the report is something I have longed to do myself.----

from the editor of a national weekly

> That report of yours is a completely first-rate document.

from an official of an American Embassy in the Far East

> We read it aloud one night until after midnight.---The report is the best kind of history - the only meaningful journalism-----

from a Methodist clergyman in Baton Rouge

> I hereby request that a similar type report be made on the Baton Rouge situation.----

(Finally, this discussion should note that the Director of the Southern Leadership Project had been quietly and effectively at work in Birmingham even before year's end; the enveloping dilemma of that city is a matter of constant attention, and of liaison with

the Alabama Council and consultation with responsible authorities.)

New South

Miss Margaret Long joined the staff in July, and under her editor-ship New South has been rejuvenated. It is our hope to make of it a magazine of intellectual vigor, and this can be possible only if it is interesting to read. Margaret Long is a gifted writer herself, adroit at attacking half-truths, an authentic voice of the South whom we are delighted to have with us.

Brief Mention

The number of foreign visitors received by the Council jumped greatly, and somewhat bewilderingly. The Council welcomes these people, despite the inroads on our time. They come to our offices with varying, but almost always alarming, degrees of ignorgance and distorted opinion about the South; we try to give them an accurate interpretation.

Two special research projects are being administered. James McBride Dabbs is pursuing certain studies in southern history. Dr. M. Robert Coles, a psychiatrist, is exploring the effects of school desegregation on the personalities of the involved students.

Organization and Administration

New Council Members elected at the Annual Meeting in November will bring fresh ideas and vigor. They are Mrs. Vivion Brewer, civic leader in Little Rock; A.D. Beittel of Jackson, President of Tougaloo Christian College; the Rev. Theodore R. Gibson, pastor of Christ Episcopal Church of Miami; the Rev. M.D. McCollom, Orangeburg, (S.C.); John P. Nelson, Jr., attorney and Catholic lay leader of New Orleans; Lucius H. Pitts, President of Miles College, Birmingham; David H. Scull, businessman and prominent Quaker, Annandale, (Va.); Andrew M. Secrest, editor of the Cheraw (S.C.) Chronicle; and the Rev. Kelly M. Smith, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Nashville. One other elected in November has requested that his term not begin as yet. The terms of S.E. Duncan, A.G. Gaston, Harry Golden, and Bishop M. L. Harris ended, and their colleagues regretfully saw them leave.

Finances, as always, claimed their share of attention. Stocks received by the Council were sold. The generous, unexpected, and unbudgeted bequest of the William Emerson Estate, paid to the Council in portions between 1958 and final payment in 1961, was converted into a modest reserve fund and invested in the Common Stock Fund of the Trust Company of Georgia. Expenditures are kept in forecast in order to permit placing funds whenever possible in the savings account and in short term governments. The experienced judgment and watchfulness of Finance Committee

Chairman, L.D. Milton, has been of invaluable assistance.

In these as in all other administrative matters, I wish to acknowledge my personal indebtedness to the Council's Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. Ruth House Alexander; and to Paul Anthony, Executive Assistant.

Contributors to the Council have continued to give generously. Particularly noteworthy in this Annual Report is the assistance, granted for the first time in 1961, of the Rockefeller Foundation.

The Council depends on these friends who largely finance its work. It depends also on the services of a dedicated and skilled staff. My regard for these friends who are my fellow staff-members may be inferred when I say that I believe President Dabbs spoke their spirit and their resolve when he concluded his address at the Annual Meeting with these words:

> We live in a world where the position of the person grows increasingly precarious. Urban, industrial life tends to obliterate him; totalitarian government tends to obliterate him. Beyond these present dangers lies the ominous future, in which, if we do not destroy ourselves, we shall inevitably build units far greater than our national states, at the last perhaps a world state. What becomes of the person in such a comprehensive net?
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> The South cannot solve these problems. It is possible, however, for the South to see more truly what it is: whites and Negroes who have suffered history together, and who in this enforced relationship have learned more wisdom than they know. The nation needs this wisdom. We need the exhilaration that comes from sharing it.

Leslie W. Dunbar

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MRS. FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT
55 EAST 74TH STREET
NEW YORK CITY 21, N. Y.

February 24,1962

Dear Mr. Dunbar,

Mrs. Roosevelt is on a month's trip abroad and in her absence I would like to thank you for your letter and the attached Annual Report which I will bring to Mrs. Roosevelt's attention on her return to New York.

Sincerely yours,

Gabriele Gutkind

Gabriele Gutkind
(secretary)

MRS. MAX ASCOLI

23 Gramercy Park South
New York 3, New York

February 26, 1962

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar, Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

My dear Mr. Dunbar:

Mrs. Ascoli has asked me to thank you for sending her a copy of Southern Regional Council's Annual Report for 1961.

She is looking forward to reading it at the first opportunity.

Sincerely yours,

Helen Hanbury

Secretary to Mrs. Max Ascoli

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March 1, 1962

Mrs. Lawrence Ottinger
The Ottinger Foundation, Inc.
P. O. Box 2803
Grand Central Station
New York 17, New York

Dear Mrs. Ottinger:

I thought you might be interested in having the enclosed copy of my Annual Report to the Council for 1961.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director

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REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE TO THE ANNUAL MEETING 55 28
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John H. Wheeler, Chairman
Presented, November 19

Since the full Council was last assembled, your Executive Committee has met four times to carry out the mandates of the 1961 Annual Meeting and to give policy direction to the staff.

We are pleased to report that, in our opinion, the year has been a productive one. The Council has had to face not only the new realities of constant change in a region greatly dissimilar in its progress and problems, but has faced the challenge of several new programs, untried and pioneering. These matters we look on as encouraging as we approach the end of the Council's 19th year of operation.

Ten outstanding Southerners elected by this body last year have accepted membership in the Council. They are:

For the Class of 1962 -

The Rev. Theodore Gibson, Miami, Fla.

For the Class of 1965 -

Dr. A. D. Beittel, Tougaloo, Miss.
The Rev. M. D. McCollom, Orangeburg, S.C.
Mr. John P. Nelson, New Orleans, La.
Mr. Lucius Pitts, Birmingham, Ala.
Mr. David Sculi, Annandale, Va.
Mr. Andrew Secrest, Cheraw, S.C.
The Rev. Kelly M. Smith, Nashville, Tenn.
Mr. McNeill Smith, Greensboro, N.C.

In addition, the Executive Committee, as authorized under the By-Laws, chose Dr. Crawford Brock of Rome, Ga., for the vacancy in the Class of 1963 created by the resignation of Mr. Wiley Branton to accept appointment as Director of the Voter Education Project.

Most of these new members are with us today. We welcome them and the contributions they have to make to the deliberations of this body.

Regretfully, Dr. Arthur Gray of Talladega, Alabama has resigned because of leaving the region.

During the year the Executive Committee, acting on recommendations from the Personnel Committee, has reviewed salaries, granted merit increases, and otherwise carried out its responsibilities with regard to personnel.

There have been several professional personnel changes. Dr. James A. Moss completed his one year appointment as Director of Research, following which he toured Europe and Africa on a brief State Department assignment before returning to his academic duties. To fill this position the Council has employed Mr. Staige D. Blackford, a native of Virginia and most recently editor of the Louisiana State University Press. We welcome Mr. Blackford to the staff.

Mr. Jack Minnis joined the Voter Education Project staff. Mr. Minnis is a native of Oklahoma and a long-time resident of Louisiana, where he has recently completed course studies at Tulane University for his Ph.D. degree in political science.

Mr. George Barrett, attorney of Nashville, has worked part-time with both the central and the VEP staffs as a special program consultant.

Most regretfully, on November 2, we accepted the resignation of Mr. Paul Rilling, who has been Director of Field Activities since July, 1959. In early December Mr. Rilling will become the Executive Director of the Commissioner's Council on Human Relations of the District of Columbia. We are pleased to see that Mr. Rilling has been selected for such an important post and note the growing list of former SRC staff members who now occupy important positions in the human relations field throughout the country. We have mixed emotions--both pride and concern--that the Council should be the training ground for so much of the human relations field leadership

of Detroit, New York, and Washington! Nevertheless, we deeply regret Mr. Rilling's leaving and wish him well.

In the Spring we were saddened to learn of the death of Dr. George Mitchell, the Council's Executive Director from 1947 to 1957. Mr. Paul Williams, the Council's president during much of this period, wrote a tribute to Dr. Mitchell which was published in New South. This and an Executive Committee resolution were forwarded to Mrs. Mitchell in Scotland and sent to Council members. All of us owe a great deal to Dr. Mitchell for his long service in enriching and extending the democratic society. This body may wish to take some further action in recognition of our gratitude and loss.

A major portion of the Committee's guidance on program during the year has been devoted to the Voter Education Project. In practically every sense, this project represents a major new responsibility for the Council. The funds involved during each of two years represent sums almost as large as those of all regular Council expenditures. This is an unprecedentedly organized and financed effort to extend access to the ballot and its use in a region notoriously low in citizen participation. It is, too, a promising opportunity to achieve cooperation among the principal civil rights organizations active in the South. We believe we need not remind this body of the importance of this undertaking nor of the long range significance to the region if any measure of the desired success is realized.

We were fortunate in achieving the services of Mr. Wiley A. Branton, a former member of this body, as director of the project. Later today you will hear a detailed report from Mr. Branton on the project, its programs and plans.

There are, however, several steps the project has taken under the direction of the Executive Committee which should now be

reported to you:

1. Prior to accepting any contributions for this project, a ruling was secured from the Internal Revenue Service, indicating that the Project, if properly conducted, would not jeopardize the Council's tax exemption.

2. The Project was planned and is being conducted in a strictly non-partisan manner. Our interest is in the full participation of all citizens in the democratic process, not in promoting the special interest of any particular group.

3. The Project is heavily research oriented. It has been designed to produce a maximum of significant information of long-term value. We are hopeful the Project will make an important contribution to the knowledge of this field which will have value long after the Project itself is terminated.

Other of the Council's programs have continued. Field activities have been expanded in some directions, as Mr. Dunbar will discuss for you tomorrow. Research and publication has been sustained. The Executive Committee would particularly remind you of the report titled Executive Support for Civil Rights, a description and analysis of the first 14 months of the Kennedy Administration. This received widespread attention, both in the press and in Washington offices: an illustration of the latter is that the White House ordered over 1,000 copies.

Last year during the Annual Meeting there was a discussion of the Council's policy statement issued during 1951. At that time this body requested that each member be sent a copy of the statement, after which the Executive Committee was to be guided by the response of the members. The great majority of those members who responded indicated they felt no change was necessary or desirable. Therefore, no action has been taken on this matter.

On several occasions the problem of finding attorneys to represent persons identified with unpopular causes in the civil rights field hage been discussed. This year the Executive Committee

has requested that Mr. Dunbar invite those members who are attorneys to a meeting to consider this matter. That meeting will be held tomorrow afternoon immediately after the Annual Meeting. We are hopeful this distinguished group of persons can suggest some effective action in this area. We are hopeful also that this is but the first effort to bring together small groups of Council members with particular professional or other interests who can give the Committee and the staff the benefit of the considerable knowledge and experience represented in this body.

Next year we are hopeful of calling on you for more than the usual guidance in program planning. The trend of the region toward becoming an area of great internal dissimilarities, with many different kinds and degrees of problems, is accelerating. In this new era it may well be that many of the Council's traditional programs need to be questioned and entirely new programs and approaches need to be considered. With this in mind, the Committee welcomed the staff's plan to review programs and to submit a comprehensive report to the Executive Committee next spring. You will be asked by letter during the next months to share with the staff and the Executive Committee your thoughts on the present soundness and future direction of SRC programs. In addition, President Dabbs will soon appoint a sub-committee from the general membership to consult more closely with the Executive Committee and the staff in preparation of the final report. At next year's meeting we hope to have a formal report submitted by the Executive Committee to the full Council.

Today marks another milestone in the history of Council meetings. As you see, for the first time we are able to hold our meeting in a downtown Atlanta hotel. And, the only function held outside the hotel, our dinner this evening, will be at Stouffer's Restaurant where there are no restrictions. We commend the Peachtree Manor Hotel for voluntarily setting this excellent example of good business practice, an example as yet unfollowed by Atlanta's other hotels. We also commend Stouffer's Restaurant which last

year opened two restaurants in the Merchandise Mart in downtown Atlanta and, from the day of opening, has placed no restrictions on its patronage. We feel there is a significance that transcends convenience in the physical arrangements of the Council's meeting this year.

The Executive Committee has exercised its responsibility in supervising the grants-in-aid program for the state councils on human relations. We are pleased to report that most of the state councils are showing increased vigor in both program and fund-raising. Later in the meeting, you will have before you, for approval, the grants-in-aid schedule for 1963 which has been reviewed and approved by the Executive Committee. For 1963, we are recommending an increase of approximately 10% over the rate of the funds granted for the past several years. This is the only area of the Council's operation in which an appreciable increase in spending is recommended.

It would, of course, be desirable to have an ever increasing amount of funds available for all of the Council's programs. But, unfortunately, this desire is not necessarily consistent with fund-raising realities. During 1962 we have been operating on a general operations budget of $175,395. You will be presented today the Committee's recommendation for a general operations budget of approximately $178,381 for 1963. In light of the fact that the Voter Education Project has imposed on general operations a number of expenditures not related to normal program, this recommended figure is actually a decrease from our present operating schedule.

Fund-raising remains a perennial problem, and requires considerable staff time. It was therefore the feeling of the staff and the Committee that it would be unwise to propose to you today an increased budget which would greatly increase the problem and automatically obligate the staff to even more time spent in fund-raising.

In conclusion, it is the opinion of your Executive Committee that the year 1962 has been a rewarding one. The Executive Committee and the staff are aware that the responsibilities and challenges of the Council are such that we cannot entertain the least measure of complacency about our skills, our achievements, or our progress. It is in this spirit that we approach 1963 and the Council's 20th year of operation.

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Director of Field Activities - Paul M. Rilling
(Resigned December 7, 1962)
Director of Information - Margaret Long
Director, Voter Education Project - Wiley A. Branton
Director of Research - James A. Moss
(Resigned July 3, 1962)
- Staige D. Blackford
(Beginning, September 1, 1962)

*ex-officio members of Executive Committee

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1962

An observer could more easily say, during 1962, that the "solid South" had ended than he could discern what had taken its place. Only the policies of Alabama, Mississippi, and South Carolina still defended the fortress into which the South had retreated after 1954, though the political oratory of rebellion was still heavy elsewhere, most notably in Arkansas and Louisiana.

Even in the three states, there were marks of change. South Carolina evidently took the turn which Georgia had two years earlier, and the farewell address of Governor Hollings and the desegregation of Clemson, both occuring in January 1963, certified the decisions which during 1962 were being made by the state's men of power.

The restiveness which first arose in Alabama during the parks-closing of Mar. 15, 1962 in Birmingham grew during 1962. To hazard optimism about what the state will choose to do with itself would be as yet unduly bold. There is likelihood of court-ordered desegregation of Birmingham schools next September, and almost certainly either the University of Alabama or both will be called on to admit Negro students. It would be hard to exaggerate the seriousness of probable effects of the Birmingham ordeal, which lies ahead.

Mississippi is perhaps a trifle less monolithic than is usually assumed. There have always been dissenters of strength and intellegence, Negro leadership is vigorous, the Department of Justice has seemingly concentrated here much of the legal fire, white clergymen have displayed courage as rare as in any southern state, and the emotional and intellectual frenzy

of the present ruling class is too intense and shrill to be sustained. The state will likely disgrace the country again and maybe several times more, but to hope that the epic quality of the conflict may yield more than surface solutions is not entirely naive.

Elsewhere, there was no pattern, except a perceptible movement toward a new (for the South) political theory. As regards racial euqlity, there are three possible positions for an American government to take: opposed, neutral, or in favor. Historically, southern state governments have been opposed, have been frankly the white people's governments, and have had as their fundamental policy touchstone the defense of white supremacy. This is ending. There are signs too large to be overlooked that the governments of North Carolina, and Tennessee have broken the southern traditions, and have abandoned white supremacy as the cardinal political doctrine. Their posture is neutrality, which means that, although the state will not strongly assist the Negroes, the weight of state power is withdrawing from the defense of local and private segregation and discrimination. Both Georgia and Texas may already be moving to the same neutral position; Kentucky has gone several steps beyond it, and state power has begun to give positive assistance to equality.

This is a development which was, in 1962, greatly hastened by the Supreme Court's ruling that legislative apportionment

presented justiciable issues for the federal courts. Before the year ended, Alabama and Georgia had more democratic representation, and the issue was being decided in Florida, Mississippi, Tennessee, and Virginia.

In short, the life and the politics of the South are in flux In this time of fluidity, the opportunities and the responsibilities of the Southern Regional Council -- the South's parliament of freed minds -- are larger than they have ever been.

COUNCIL AFFAIRS

Council membership was raised to 90 in 1962, according to the plan which will carry the size to 95 in 1963 and 100 in 1964.

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Executive Support of Civil Rights

Montage of editorials from southern campuses regarding University of Mississippi riots.

The two publications which received most attention were Executive Support of Civil Rights and Albany: A study in National Responsibility. Both received heavy press coverage and widespread editorial comment, and the former was ordered in gratifying quantities by government offices. (The White House ordered over 1,000 copies; the U. S. Civil Service Commission, 80; the U. S. Information Agency, 125; the Post Office, 40; the U. S. Commission on Civil Rights, 30; the Housing and Home Finance Agency, 6 -- all these in addition to our own distribution throughout the federal

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NEW SOUTH

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FIELD ACTIVITIES

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The toughest decision made during the year was the one which took Benjamin Muse from active field work to the writing of a book. The slack in the Southern Leadership Project has been only partially taken up by the two rural programs mentioned earlier. Mr. J. J. Brewbaker continues as Public School Consultant and has, in fact, been engaged in one Deep South state in some especially interesting work. He and the Director of Field Activities combined to work through special opportunities in Pensacola prior to its school desegregation. Mr. Brewbaker was also active in the Chattanooga school department's program of preparation.

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L-32 Reproduction of a letter to the editor of the Southwest Louisiana Register from Dr. William P. Sullivan, Assistant Professor of English, McNeese State College, Lake Charles, Louisiana.

L-33 "A Statement of Recommended Police Policy Resulting from the New York University Graduate School of Public Administration Conference on: 'The Challenge of Desegregation for the American Police Executive'"

L-34 "Desegregation of Southern Parochial Schools"

L-35 "State Commissions on Human Relations"

L-36 "Richmond Quietly Leads the Way in Race Relations" (Reprint from the Washington Post of July 29, 1962)

L-37 "A Statement on the 'Economic Costs of Racial Discrimination in Employment' Presented to the Joint Economic Committee of Congress in September 1962 by the Council of Economic Advisers"

L-Reports (continued)

L-38 "What Price Violence?"

L-39 "Negroes' Pay Rises But Half As Fast"

Miscellaneous:

The Unequal Badge, by Elliott M. Rudwick

Executive Support of Civil Rights

Montage of editorials from southern campuses regarding the University of Mississippi riots.

The two publications which received most attention were Executive Support of Civil Rights and Albany: A Study in National Responsibility. Both had heavy press coverage and widespread editorial comment, and the former was ordered in gratifying quantities by government offices. (The White House requested over 1,000 copies; the U. S. Civil Service Commission, 80; the U. S. Information Agency, 125; the Post Office, 40; the U. S. Commission on Civil Rights, 30; the Housing and Home Finance Agency, 6 -- all these in addition to our own distribution throughout the federal establishment.) Both were concerned with the performance of the national administration, although Albany had other interests as well.

The Kennedy administration has, as we said in Executive Support of Civil Rights, through its vigorous use of executive action become "a primary center for initiative" in the civil rights struggle. This has meant that the Council needs to be of such service as it can be to executive agencies and that we must also, if our accustomed role as interpreter of southern problems is maintained, include governmental policies and actions in the area on which we report and comment. Opportunities to engage in informal discussions with governmental officials and offices come frequently, as do also requests for information. On a more formal

plane, the Executive Director testified in March before the subcommittee on Integration in Federally Assisted Education of the House Education and Labor Committee, at its request; was one of a small group invited in April to a conference with the Secretary and other officials of the Department of Health, Education and Welfare; and in June spent two days in consultation with the attorneys commissioned by the Commission on Civil Rights to prepare the report later published as Civil Rights U. S. A. The Director of the Southern Leadership Project was appointed to the President's Committee on Equal Opportunity in the Armed Forces; as part of his duties, he inspected U. S. military bases in Germany during the Fall.*

The Special Report on Negro farmers in South Carolina represented another effort at calling problems to the attention of an interested national administration. So, too, did a Special Report on Plans for Progress (a device of the President's Committee on Equal Employment Opportunity), issued in January 1963.

We felt special pleasure in publishing A Hundred Years Later, not only because it was a symposium of Council members, but because of the superior quality of the writing and reflection.

The research staff does more, however, than prepare publications. It is steadily engaged in responding to inquiries for information, bibliographical help, and interpretation. These come from the media, government, private agencies of various sorts, scholars, students,

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* I should like to note that, to my knowledge and without any systematic check, at least 20 Council members are presently engaged in some appointive role, of an advisory or other nature, with the federal government in areas having to do with race relations.

and many, many others. Often these requests originate in some groups' conception of what it needs to know to stimulate local change: e.g., during the year the Chamber of Commerce of one rigidly segregated small city of the Deep South wrote for information regarding other cities' use of bi-racial committees; and from groups in several places have come requests for all the economic data available on the effects of downtown desegregation.

Of things in progress I shall not further comment, except to say a few words about the unusually interesting work of Dr. M. Robert Coles. Through special grants, he has been carrying on a psychiatric study since the summer of 1961 of children -- white and Negro -- involved in Atlanta and New Orleans school desegregation; and, more generally, of how human beings react to community tensions. We have administered the grants, and have had also the rewards of Dr. Coles' association. His first writings (besides a New South article) include a piece in a forthcoming issue of the Atlantic Monthly; a chapter in a book to be published soon under the title Youth: Change and Challenge, edited by Erik Erikson; and a paper titled "Southern Children Under Desegregation" to be read before the American Psychiatric Association in St. Louis in May, 1963.

NEW SOUTH

New South published during the year original articles by, among others, Lillian Smith, Nedra Tyre, Herman Long, Donald Dewey, M. Robert Coles, Herbert Jenkins, and James McBride Dabbs; also, sections of books by Louis Lomax and Will Campbell prior to publication. The special October issue, on Mississippi, has been ordered in such

heavy quantity that we have had to have a second printing. Editor Margaret Long's own regular column, "Strictly Subjective," marks the pace for what we believe may be the most interesting magazine in this field.

FIELD ACTIVITIES

Membership in the state and local Councils on Human Relations was 6,345 in 1962. Funds raised locally (exclusive of any foundation grants or SRC grants-in-aid) rose to $61,200. The groups are still of varying strength, effectiveness, and vigor, but all are irreplaceable forces for good, and all made distinctive contributions during the year. We think especially of the Virginia Council's developing program in merit employment; North Carolina's quiet liaison work with state officials; the college program of the South Carolina Council; the Georgia Council's unusually skilled and effective work in easing and settling community tensions; the success of the Alabama Council in Birmingham mediation; Tennessee's work in the desegregation of state parks; voter registration by the Arkansas Council; and the educational work done by the strong Houston Council in welfare and health areas.

But perhaps the finest event of 1962 was the re-establishment of the Mississippi Council. Immediately and bitterly attacked, it has held largely intact. No one expects the Mississippi Council to do -- for a while -- vigorous programming. Its achievement and its importance is that it exists, and speaks; simply by being alive, it gives the lie to the state's boast and ideology of undeviating popular approval.

During the year, Virginia, South Carolina, and Alabama received special foundation grants. SRC was able to increase by a small amount its grants-in-aid.

The Fellowship of the Concerned unites, in a loosely constituted but devotedly firm alliance, churchwomen over the South. Mrs. M. E. Tilly, our matchless Director of Women's Work, led the Fellowship in one of its most satisfying meetings during November. But the Fellowship is more than meetings. It is the conscience and energy of many churchwomen, of both races, active year-round in hundreds of ways in hundreds of localities.

The toughest decision made during the year was the one which took Benjamin Muse from active field work to the writing of a book. The slack in the Southern Leadership Project has been partially taken up by the two rural programs mentioned earlier. Mr. J. J. Brewbaker, who continues as Public School Consultant, has been engaged in one Deep South state in some especially interesting work. He and the Director of Field Activities had special opportunities for service in Pensacola prior to its school desegregation. Mr. Brewbaker was also called upon in the Chattanooga school department's program of preparation.

In December, Paul Anthony succeeded Paul Rilling as Director of Field Activities, bringing to this new post the experience acquired during long service with the Council and, equally importantly, genuine leadership talents.

OTHER ACTIVITIES

As in the past, much time was given to work with the press and other media of mass communications. It may be that nothing we do is of greater importance. I mentioned earlier that the Council balances commitment and objectivity. We have no better evidence that we succeed than that reporters and magazine writers keep returning to use our materials and to discuss their stories.

The Council was host to 115 foreign visitors, in addition to a number, sponsored by other Atlanta groups or individuals, who visited our offices. Our people came from nine countries of Latin America, 15 of Europe, 24 of Africa, four of Asia, and Australia.

The Annual Meeting was well attended and lively. In addition to President Dabbs' address, Will Campbell of the National Council of Churches, Lewis Jones of Fisk University, and James Silver of the University of Mississippi spoke as a panel, on prospects before the Deep South. The meeting was historic, in that for the first time we were able to meet in downtown Atlanta, taking advantage of Atlanta's one desegregated hotel and one non-segregated restaurant.

FINANCES

Both income and expenditures in 1962 almost exactly met budgeted amounts. This happy fact, received somewhat incredulously by harried administrators, means that our finances are relatively stable. There are some serious problems, however, foreseeable. Our most pressing need is for at least one additional, substantial grant. We need this for four reasons: to absorb normally increasing costs; to permit moderate program growth; to ease the fund-raisers' burden of gathering in the marginal dollars of the budget from many sources; and to give program people the security needed to plan their work.

Fund-raising is, among its other difficulties, time consuming. Whatever time is given by the staff to fund-raising is time not given to program. During 1962, much fund-raising effort went into the Voter Education Project, and considerable was given in support of several applications from state councils.

The Charleston News and Courier meant no compliment, but it wrote editorially on June 2 some lines which we are satisfied to regard as our encomium for the year:

> The Southern Regional Council and other groups promoting integration never have been satisfied with mere legal victories. All along the aim has been to persuade school boards and state governments not only to accede to integration, but to regard it as a constructive step forward and as morally right.

We believe our friends and supporters throughout the country would agree that this is true of the Council, and that it is good that it is so.

Leslie W. Dunbar

February 1963

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July 10, 1961

MEMO TO THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

FROM: PAUL ANTHONY PA

Because of several pressing matters it has been necessary to arrange an early meeting of the Executive Committee. The date selected is Thursday, July 27.

Of major importance will be consideration of the Knoxville-TVA foreign visitor center. It is likely that several other major projects which have been proposed to SRC will also come before the Committee at this meeting. And, we hope to have tentative plans for the annual meeting for the Committee's consideration.

The meeting will be held at the SRC conference room, beginning at 10:00 a.m. and ending at 3:00 p.m.

We sincerely regret that the meeting has to be called on such short notice. However, this will be an extremely important meeting and we urge you to make every effort to attend.

A card is enclosed for your convenience to indicate whether or not you can be present.

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

MEMORANDUM April 2, 1962

To: Executive Committee Members — file

From: Paul Anthony

Re: TREASURY RULING FOR VOTER PROJECT.

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In a letter dated March 22, 1962 we have been informed by the Internal Revenue Service that the proposed Voter Education Project conducted as described "will not adversely affect... present exemption from Federal income tax."

Since this matter has now been settled we are proceeding with the Project as discussed at the last Executive Committee meeting.

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SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia

MEMORANDUM June 13, 1962

To: Members of the Board

From: Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

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At a recent meeting of the Executive Committee, the dates, November 19 and 20 were chosen for the 1962 Annual Meeting of the Council. Details of the meeting will be sent to you later. In the meantime, please reserve these dates.

We are enclosing a resolution passed by the Executive Committee. We thought you would be interested.

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[redacted] June 21, 1962

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To: Members of the Executive Committee

From: Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director

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The attached copy of a letter from The Aaron E. Norman Fund is sufficiently unusual as well as pleasant to make us wish to share it with each of you.

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MEMORANDUM August 2, 1962

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To: Members of the Executive Committee

From: Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

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Thursday, September 20, has been selected as the date for the next meeting of the Executive Committee.

The usual schedule will be followed for the meeting at the SRC conference room; beginning at 10:00 a.m., and ending no later than 3:30 p.m. Except for a brief meeting before the Annual Meeting in November, this will be the last meeting of the year.

Will you please let us know whether or not you can be present. A stamped envelope is enclosed for your convenience.

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December 14, 1962
Advent Weekday

Mr. John H. Wheeler, Chairman
Executive Committee
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Wheeler:

I have your letter of December third, announcing the new appointments to the Executive Committee and the policy involved, which I second heartily although it means my own withdrawal.

Association with the Executive Committee of the Southern Regional Council has been a source of great personal satisfaction to me and I pledge my continuing support to the work of the Committee and the Council. Do not hesitate to call on me.

With every best wish in this holy season, I beg to remain

Yours in Christ,

Alexander O. Sigur

(Rt. Rev. Msgr.) Alexander O. Sigur

cc: Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar

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LESLIE W. DUNBAR,
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

A Council to attain the ideals and practices of equal opportunity for all peoples in the South

February 5, 1963

To: Members of the Executive Committee
From: Leslie W. Dunbar

You will recall that at several meetings last year the staff was questioned on its formulation of research plans for the Voter Education Project. The subject was also discussed from the floor at the Annual Meeting.

We have now sufficient experience with our material and with our reactions to that material to describe our ideas, goals, and methods more narrowly.

The staff has just concluded a re-statement of research plans, and I send it to you attached.

We are not planning to put discussion of this on the agenda of the February, 1962 meeting. I am sure, however, that there will be time for discussion if any of you wish to bring it up. Wiley Branton, Jack Minnis, Staige Blackford, and I would be delighted to have your comments or suggestions at any time.

I am sending copies of this also to the following members of the Council, all of whom are social scientists, and am similarly inviting their study and comment:

Bell I. Wiley, Professor of History, Emory University
B. R. Brazeal, Dean, Morehouse College
C. G. Gomillion, Chairman, Division of Social Science, Tuskegee
Guy B. Johnson, Professor of Sociology, University of North Carolina
Robert J. Harris, Professor of Political Science, Vanderbilt University

February, 1963

A STATEMENT OF THE RESEARCH AIMS AND METHODS OF THE VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

I. BACKGROUND

A. Before undertaking the Voter Education Project, the Southern Regional Council applied for and obtained a favorable ruling from the Commissioner of Internal Revenue, holding that the Project was consistent with SRC's tax-exemption. In letters to the Commissioner, dated December 14, 1961 and February 9, 1962, the Project was described. The following statements, excerpted from those letters, define the research objectives:

> 1. The purpose of the Project is to enable the Council to promote and to study and evaluate methods for teaching and encouraging exercise of the right to register and vote in areas in the South which, from the Council's past research, are known to be comparatively lowest in registration and voting. The work will necessarily largely involve the Negro population.
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> 2. The purpose of the Project is to develop educational programs which will be most effective in providing voters with the knowledge and will to register.
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> 3. Upon the completion of the Project... a report, analysis and evaluation of the Project will be published. Such publication will describe the Project and recommend, on the basis of Project experience, the best methods of education designed to overcome low voter

registration in the various geographic and cultural areas of the South.

B. From the foregoing, it is clear that

1. VEP shall not only study registration efforts, but shall promote them for the purposes of study.

2. VEP is specifically to work and research in areas "known to be comparatively lowest in registration and voting." Indeed, this is stated almost as an exclusive interest. This was not, however, intended to be the case and the fuller context of the application amply shows that.

3. Research includes voting, as well as registration, experience.

4. This is primarily experimental research, through which VEP seeks to develop effective programs.

5. Recommendations, therefore, are to constitute a large part of the research product.

II. OBJECTIVES

V.E.P. is substantially the largest research ever undertaken by the Council. The resulting publication will be, unlike the usual SRC release, of book length.

Nevertheless, we do not intend nor should we, to depart from the established objectives of SRC research and publishing. These are:

(a) to inform national opinion accurately and with sound interpretation;

(b) as a special end, to inform southern leaders, both directly and through the press;

(c) to contribute to the formulation of public policies.

Stated this way, there is nothing to preclude research done according to the exacting standards of the social sciences. We do, however, need to keep in mind that the three objectives set out above do preclude the statement of research findings in such ways as require interpretation or translation: our business is to speak directly to the public.

Moreover, our business is to address ourselves to the concerns of public policy, and not to those of social science. As do any disciplines, the social sciences have developed problems which are largely intra-mural in their interest. All the issues of public policy are of interest to the social sciences; the reverse is neither obviously nor probably so. The VEP will not, therefore, seek to serve social science in such ways as the refinement of methodologies or the verification of statistical probabilities.

III. RESEARCH PROBLEM

The research problem of the VEP might be re-stated as:

> A study of the effectiveness of organized effort - political activity in the broadest sense - in attacking the cause of low registration in the various sections of the South.

Stated this way, the relationship between the VEP and the Matthews-Prothro work is made more obvious. For the, after close and exhaustive analysis of the social and economic variables of registration, raise the question of the relative importance of these variables, on the one side, against political and legal factors and organized Negro and white supremacist activity on the

other. The following is quoted from their paper at the Duke University Conference of July 12 - 14, 1962:*

> We have seen that both social and economic factors and political and legal factors are associated with Negro voter registration in the 11 southern states. Which type of factor is more important in shaping Negro registration rates?
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> ...In so far as statistical analysis will answer such a broad and complex question, it would appear that political variables are of about equal importance to socio-economic ones.
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> Moreover, our analysis suggests that substantial changes in the level of Negro voter registration can be attained by political and legal means. It is not necessary to await the arrival of basic social and economic change before attempting, with reasonable expectations of moderate success, to enfranchise more southern Negroes. The abolition of the poll tax and modification of literacy requirements to assure fair treatment of Negroes might enhance the southwide vote of Negro registration by 10 or more percentage points. Encouraging the candidacy of politicians -- both Negro and white -- who are favorable to the Negro cause should bring out many more Negro votes, even when they have little chance of success. Finally, heightened organizational efforts by Negroes would increase Negro registration levels over what they would otherwise be. All of these reforms would have a positive effect on Negro registration rates without waiting for massive social and economic change.

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*"Negro Voter Registration in the South."

VEP can, of course, only take note of and seek to analyze and evaluate legal changes and political candidacies. This will be done. But the "heightened organizational efforts" spoken of by Matthews and Prothro is VEP's special problem. VEP is experimental research, where by organized methods VEP will seek to make the findings set down as objectives in the I.R.S. letters quoted above.

Moreover, the political process is a primary means by which the social and economic benefits of society are distributed. The social and economic variables and the political and legal variables do not, therefore, represent the two sides of a dichotomy. Rather, they represent the two phases of a process in which, at any given moment, existing social and economic conditions are conducive to or permissive of certain political and legal innovations; and they, in turn, will have their effect in altering the social and economic conditions.

The VEP will accept the Matthews-Prothro analysis as the latest authoritative study of the social and economic variables. The Matthews-Prothro analysis of racial attitudes will also be assumed,* except where explicitly questioned.

The various parts of the re-statement above may be separately considered:

(a) "a study of the effectiveness of organized effort"

VEP is dealing with a wide variety of organizations -- all devoted to civil rights -- including national organizations such as

*"Southern Racial Attitudes: Conflict, Awareness, and Political Change," Annals of the American Academy. November 1962.

NAACP, the National Urban League,
CORE;

a regional body, the

Southern Christian Leadership
Conference;

and the unique

Student Non-Violent Coordinating
Committee;

including also a large number of local organizations, ranging from such sophisticated groups as

All-Citizens Registration Committee
(Atlanta)

Durham (N.C.) Committee on Negro
Affairs

to inexperienced groups such as

Federated Organization for the Cause
of Unlimited Self-Development
(FOCUS) - Baton Rouge;

the organizations include also ad hoc ones that VEP helped bring into existence, such as

Council of Federated Organizations (Miss.)
Jefferson County (Ala.) Voters Campaign;

and popular crusades such as the

Albany (Ga.) Movement.

The organizations differ greatly - in their structure, their attitudes, their methods of work, their uses of publicity, and their reputations. All of these differences are deserving of study, and of some critique as to effectiveness. The VEP should not shirk the opportunity of contributing some informed evaluations of the varieties of organized Negro political activity, at this still

formative period of a relatively new development that will undoubtedly persist and grow, long after the dramatic controversies of civil rights have been ended.

Some organizations tend to work in different local situations, and this is usually a matter of deliberate choice on their part. This, itself, raises an issue of research interest, because the choices represent, to some degrees, divergent views of strategy. One view favors a concentrated, almost sole, effort in the more liberal locales, where the barriers are essentially only the apathy or alienation of Negroes. The other inclines toward work in the heavily resistant, Black Belt locales. Evaluation of these two approaches merely in terms of new registrants would be pointless, because those will undoubtedly be comparatively few in the resistant areas. The work there, however, represents a strongly held belief that political leverage can be realized by token gains, by opening the bottle, by laying the basis for court suits, by stimulating national publicity, by exposing the crudity of the segregationists' methods, and most of all, by providing the initial opportunity for residents to organize themselves. VEP cannot hope to evaluate such work quantitatively, but the notion that social science is confined to quantitative findings is a recent one, and perhaps not an unrelenting tenet. In fact, nearly all interesting social study of a quantitative sort has had to be given stimulus and direction by preceding observation, analysis, and interpretation of disciplined minds.

Another matter of great interest will be the observation of the effectiveness of local groups. As mentioned above, these include both the experienced and the inexperienced. Some operate with the support -- of various sorts -- of national and regional organizations (other than VEP), and some without.

(b) "political activity in the broadest sense."

The VEP is wisely restricted to work with non-partisan groups and efforts. Registration itself is, however, a political act, and each registration contributes a mite of influence on political alignments and decisions. How much, however, is that influence, how does it work, and to whose benefit in the differing situations of the South, and at differing levels of total white and total Negro registration? Such questions as the following are interesting:

1. does the simple act of Negro registration, or knowledge of the existence of an organized effort to stimulate registration, provoke response, of any ascertainable kind, from officials or from official bodies or from private whites?

2. does increased Negro registration stimulate white registration <u>and</u> voting?

3. what ascertainable increase in Negro voting is produced by increased Negro registration?

4. what are the repercussions of increased Negro registration, or organized efforts to that end, on national politics and policies?

(c) "in attacking the causes of low registration in the various sections of the South."

A great deal of research has been done in the past, some by SRC, some by the U. S. Commission on Civil Rights, and some by academic scholars, on the causes of low registration. These have been generally concluded to be:

1. outright governmental prohibition of Negro registration (since the outlawing of the white primary this has ended as an openly acknowledged practice and, for the most part, has ended in practice, though a few isolated instances persist where local authorities, without pretense otherwise, will not register Negroes).

2. governmental cheating, i.e., the administration of qualifications more strictly for Negroes than for whites, or the capricious or arbitrary rejection of Negroes, or the administration of registration in ways to slow or make personally uncomfortable Negro registration.

3. governmental restrictions against new registrations in such a way as to limit both whites and Negroes (e.g., poll taxes).

4. governmental harassment in reprisal against Negro registration, by such multiform devices as capricious arrest of registration workers, cancellation of governmental services for properties used in registration activities, investigations, etc., etc.

5. private harassment, intimidation, violence, and economic reprisal.

6. Negro indifference (apathy)

7. Negro alienation

8. Negro ignorance, i.e., inability to pass literacy requirements

9. Negro fear

10. in some areas (e.g., Virginia) an effective, if infrequently stated, bias against democratic control, to such an extent that voting, by either Negroes or underprivileged whites, is not part of the tissue of civic values.

These causes do, of course, have extreme variations of importance, according to time and place, and there exists a considerable body of analysis of each.

A basic research interest of the VEP will be, in each area, to appraise, against a defined pattern of local obstacles, the effectiveness of certain organizational structures and methods.

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To sum up, the VEP, as a program of experimental research, has set itself the problem of devising, within its

limited field of concern, means by which the political participation of deprived groups within the United States can be stimulated. The VEP supposes that increased political participation is a feasible means of bettering the living conditions of deprived groups. The implicit assumption is that the political process is a primary means by which the benefits of society are distributed. This assumption is, of course, basic to democratic theory.

IV. GENERAL OUTLINE

An attempt at this stage to outline the final publication would be foolhardy. The scheme set out below is, therefore, only an aid to visualizing content and a scheme for organizing work assignments.

1. Background material
   a. most accurate and complete figures yet as to registration totals by race
   b. Analysis of these, in terms of such subjects as:
      - geographic variation
      - rural/urban comparisons
      - educational levels
      - economic indices (e.g., housing costs)
   c. Descriptive and interpretive essay on southern politics during period of VEP
2. VEP record
   a. a report, made up chiefly of figures, on each project and its success
   b. a concise narrative history of the projects
3. Research findings
   a. As of the initiation of each drive, what were the factors inhibiting registration?

b. Methods used to overcome

1. organizational

2. techniques

3. success

c. Anatomy of the factors

1. apathy: prevalence, characteristics, manifestations

2. alienation: ditto

3. apprehension of terror, and response

4. apprehension of white disapproval, and response

5. reaction to official cheating

d. Suitability of organized efforts to cope with the factors

4. Registration and reform

a. During the VEP period, what effects did increased registration have on elections, and also on other civil rights interests?

b. Based on observed trends, what effects can be expected?

V. MODES OF WORK

The statistical compilations and analysis noted above in 1a and 1b will be done by VEP staff, supplementing official and other published records with data gathered from the field programs.

The data required for sections 2a and b, 3a, and 3b will be obtained in several ways:

a. From field reports sent in by the cooperating agencies. VEP prescribes

the forms of these reports. Many of the agencies are not good reporters, and this is hardly unexpected. On the other hand, some of the reporting has been remarkably good and valuable. (Examples of this kind of quality are the report of the Middle Tennessee Voter Registration Project: the National Urban League's report on its Winston-Salem campaign; the reporting of the Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee in its Summer, 1962 Mississippi work; and, among several others, the reporting of the Albany Movement.)

b. From field observations carried on by VEP staff. Limitations of staff make impossible the close field study of each project. VEP plans to visit each, however, and will do intensive field study of some, selected for distinctive characteristics.

c. From news reports, government sources including legal proceedings, correspondence and conversations with informed local persons, and other sources.

The data required for section 3c and, in part, for sections 3d and 4a will be obtained in the same manner. This is a convenient place to note specifically that rigorously controlled survey research is not contemplated as a regular research tool. The findings for 3c (as well as 3a) will be drawn from the full range of field reports and observations. Some of the cooperating agencies are carrying out interviews, and these are useful. But systematic sampling and interviews are beyond the range of our resources and research interests. VEP is using conversations heavily, and will expand these even more, but

with selected informed and involved persons. These include officials, workers within the cooperating agencies, and other informed people. VEP recognizes that the selection of officials and "other informed people" will be determined not only by availability, but also by the referral of cooperating agencies and by VEP's own judgment as to the value of the interview.

The work on section 3d will be supplemented by staff review and evaluation; on 4a, by statistical compilation done by VEP staff.

Direct planning and supervision of all the above work will be the responsibility of the VEP Director.

The work of synthesis and interpretation, under 1c and 4b, will be a joint undertaking of VEP staff and the SRC Research staff.

The final ordering of data and writing will be under the direction of the SRC Executive Director.

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VIA AIR MAIL

January 8, 1962

MEMO TO: Members of the Executive Committee
FROM : Paul Anthony, Executive Assistant
RE : Meeting of the Executive Committee

The next meeting of the Executive Committee will be held on either Tuesday, February 13, or Tuesday, February 20.

On the enclosed postal card will you please indicate whether or not you can be in Atlanta on one or both of these dates. If you can attend on both dates but have a preference, please indicate this for our guidance. If possible, please hold both dates open until we can confirm one of them. We shall do this as soon as possible.

This first meeting of the year is an extremely important one, and we hope you will find it possible to attend.

Enclosed are the minutes of the last meeting.

We look forward to seeing you in February.

Minutes of the Meeting of the Executive Committee
Atlanta, Georgia
November 8, 1961

The meeting of the Executive Committee was called to order at 9:30 a.m., in the Board Room at Atlanta University on November 8, 1961, Mr. John Wheeler, presiding.

Others present: Mr. Dabbs, Dr. Dent, Mr. Wright, Miss Wilkins, Mr. Brooke, Mr. Christopher, Mrs. Hamilton, Mr. Hunter, and Rabbi Rothschild. Members of the professional staff were present with Mrs. Muriel Berger serving as recording secretary.

GENERAL SESSION

Following the invocation the proposed agenda (attached) was adopted.

The minutes of the last meeting were approved and adopted. The "Resolution on SRC's Charter and Tax Exemption" was read as required.

Financial Reports:

Consideration of Reports to be Submitted to the Annual Meeting.

The report of the Secretary-Treasurer (attached) was made by Mrs. Alexander. Mrs. Alexander also reported receipt of a gift of $3,232.00, the final payment of the bequest from the William Emerson estate. Following discussion, it was moved, seconded, and unanimously adopted: That the final gift from the Emerson Estate be placed in the Reserve Fund.

It was moved, seconded, and unanimously adopted: That the Report of the Secretary Treasurer be accepted as read, with an expression of appreciation to Mrs. Alexander.

Proposed Budgets:

Mr. Anthony presented the (attached) proposed budgets for 1962. Following discussion and consideration of the individual items of the budgets, it was moved, seconded, and unanimously adopted: That the proposed budgets be submitted to the Annual Meeting with the recommendation that they be approved subject to review and revision, throughout the year, by the Executive Committee.

Proposed Grants-in-Aid:

Mr. Rilling presented proposals for distribution of a total of $50,000 for grants-in-aid, with an additional $2,000 subject to the availability of funds. (Attached) The proposals were based on the past procedure of making funds available to state Councils on Human Relations on a matching funds basis. The method was reported to have been successful during the past year and generally well received by the state councils.

Following discussion, it was moved, seconded, and unanimously adopted: That the proposed schedule of grants-in-aid be submitted to the Annual Meeting.

Proposed Changes in the By-Laws:

Proposed changes in the By-Laws were brought before the Committee for consideration. (Attached) It was explained that these had been sent to all Members of the Council on October 5, 1961 in meeting the provision that proposed changes be brought to the attention of the Council at least 30 days before the Annual Meeting. Following discussion, it was moved, seconded, and unanimously adopted: That the proposed changes of Article II, Section I., Par. A & B of the By-Laws, increasing the membership of the Council to 100 from 80 members, be approved by the Executive Committee and be submitted to the Annual Meeting for consideration by the full Council.

Mr. Dunbar reported on developments pertaining to the proposed voter registration project and assured the Committee that discussions with the Taconic Foundation and potential cooperating agencies were proceeding according to the decisions reached by the Committee and its sub-committee in earlier meetings. He stated that, while such a possibility was unlikely, he felt that SRC should not undertake the project if it developed that the NAACP would not participate in such a program. The Committee agreed with this opinion and moved, seconded, and unanimously adopted the following motion: That SRC make any request for funds to conduct a voter registration project contingent on the cooperation and participation of the NAACP in such a project and that if this participation and cooperation was not forthcoming that the matter be considered further.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Committee met in Executive Session and in keeping with the requirements of the By-Laws moved, seconded, and unanimously adopted the following motion: That the Executive Committee recommends to the Council the confirmation of the present Executive Director, Secretary-Treasurer, and Counsel for the coming year.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at noon.

I can be present on:

_____ Tuesday, February 13.

_____ Tuesday, February 20.

Either - Holding both open

Of the two dates, I prefer

Signed: W. Carroll Brooke
The Rev. W. C. Brooke

I can be present on:

✓ Tuesday, February 13.

✓ Tuesday, February 20.

Of the two dates, I prefer Feb. 13

Signed: Paul R. Christopher
Paul R. Christopher

I can be present on:

_____ Tuesday, February 13.

✓ Tuesday, February 20.

Of the two dates, I prefer

Signed: Rufus E. Clement
Rufus E. Clement

I can be present on:

_____ Tuesday, February 13.

_____ Tuesday, February 20.

Of the two dates, I prefer

Signed: Albert W. Dent
Albert W. Dent

I can be present on:

✓ Tuesday, Fe[illegible] 13.

_____ Tuesday, Fe[illegible] 20.

Of the two dates, I p[illegible]r

Signed: John A. Griffin
John A. Griffin

I can be present on:

✓ Tuesday, February 13.

✓ Tuesday, February 20.

Of the two dates, I prefer either one

Signed: Jacob M. Rothschild
Rabbi Jacob Rothschild

I can be present on:

✓ Tuesday, February 13.

✓ Tuesday, February 20.

Of the two dates, I prefer
February 20, 1962

Signed: H. Franklin Williams
H. Franklin Williams

I can be present on:

no Tuesday, February 13.

yes Tuesday, February 20.

Of the two dates, I prefer
February 20

Signed: S. J. Wright
Stephen J. Wright

FORM 700—12-61—40M

TRUST COMPANY OF GEORGIA

MEMBER FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

P. O. Box 4418

ATLANTA 2, GA.

January 15, 1962

Mr. Paul Anthony, Executive Assistant
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Anthony:

Trustee for Southern Regional Council, Inc.

On January 2, 1962, we purchased a total of 185 additional Common Trust Fund Units at $20.21 or for $3,738.85.

One hundred sixty (160) Units would be $3,233.60 and this was with the $3,232 forwarded to us. Twenty-five (25) Units were purchased with accumulated income.

If you wish, forward check for $1.60 or since it is so close to the deposit, we can simply let the income absorb the difference.

The Council now holds 3,335 Units, with cost of $64,262.23 and a January 2 valuation of $67,400.35.

Sincerely yours,

Henry C. Smith

Henry C. Smith
Assistant Trust Officer

HCS:GSB

CCS: Mrs. Ruth House Alexander
Mr. L. D. Milton ✓

COPY

Funds invested - 63,232 00

Dividends - ~~530 00~~ 504 36

63,736 36 (3,663 99)

January 17, 1962

John H. Wheeler
President
Mechanics and Farmers Bank
Durham, North Carolina

Dear John:

The date selected for the meeting by the large majority of the Executive Committee is Tuesday, February 20. Therefore, the meeting will be held on that date beginning at 10:00 A.M. and ending no later than 3:30 P.M.

If we can provide a travel advance, or otherwise be of help, please let us know.

Sincerely,

PA:bp

Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

copies to Dabbs (PA sent)
Dent
M.A. Wright (PA sent)
Brooke
Christopher
Griffin
Hamilton
Wheeler
Haas
Clement
Wilkins
Stephen Wright
Williams
Rothschild
Sigur
~~Exxxxx~~n

January 25, 1962

Dr. Stephen J. Wright
President
Fisk University
Nashville, Tennessee

Dear Dr. Wright:

We are pleased to get the card indicating that you can be in Atlanta on February 20. Our correspondence crossed in the mail and I trust you have noted that the Executive Committee will meet on the 20th.

We very much look forward to seeing you then.

Sincerely,

PA:bp

Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

St. Elizabeth's
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

P.O. Box 4211, Roanoke
VIRGINIA

Dec 27/62

Dear Paul,

Please let me know date of Ex. Com. meeting as soon as possible because of my schedule. Am in a new church and going strong!! Note address change

Best regards,

W. Carroll Brooks, P.O. Box 4211 Roanoke, Va.

January 30, 1962

The Rev. W. C. Brooks
P. O. Box 4211
Roanoke, Virginia

Dear Carroll:

I expect that your card and my note crossed in the mails. We now have your change of address and have entered it appropriately for our records.

Looking forward to seeing you for the February 20 Executive Committee meeting,

Sincerely,

PA:bp

Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

February 13, 1962

John H. Wheeler,
President,
Mechanics and Farmers Bank
Durham, North Carolina

Dear John:

Enclosed is the proposed agenda for next week's Executive Committee meeting.

Unless you want changes made, it is not necessary to acknowledge this.

The Personnel Committee will meet in Josephine Wilkin's room at the Biltmore at 6:30 p.m. on the evening of the 19th. Dinner included.

The meeting looks as if it will be well attended. Look forward to seeing you then.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

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JAMES M. DABBS, PRESIDENT
ALBERT W. DENT, VICE PRESIDENT
MARION A. WRIGHT, VICE-PRESIDENT
JOSEPHINE WILKINS, VICE-PRESIDENT
RUFUS E. CLEMENT, VICE-PRESIDENT
JOHN H. WHEELER, CHAIRMAN EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
JOSEPH HAAS, COUNSEL
LESLIE W. DUNBAR, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 FORSYTH STREET, N. W. ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA
JAckson 2-8764

A Council to attain the ideals and practices of equal opportunity for all peoples in the South

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
RIP RAPS PLANTATION
MAYESVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA

Feb. 12, 1962
Box 2, Chapel Hill, N.C.

Mr. Paul Anthony, Executive Asst.
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth St. N. W., Atlanta 3, Ga.

Dear Paul:

I have now received a ruling from the Department of Health, Education and Welfare in regard to the taxibility of the Field grant. I am happy to report that none of it is taxable for social cesurity purposes. It is therefore in the clear both for income tax and for social security. If you would like to see and get copies of these two rulings, I shall be glad to bring the letters with me when I come to the meeting of the Executive Committee next week.

In regard to that meeting, please make a reservation for me for Monday night before the meeting onTuesday at the Atlantan Hotel--that is cheaper than the Piedmont, charges nothing for parking, and with a car is just as convenient as the Piedmont. I should get there between five and six in the afternoon; and I understand that I am to meet with the Personnel Committee for dinner at the Biltmore--where Josephine Wilkins is--at six-thirty. Unless I hear from you, by letter or by note at the Atlantan, I will take my car or a taxi to the Biltmore by six-thirty. - ok BP

With kindest regards,

Sincerely,

J. M. Dabbs.

Proposed Agenda
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
of the
SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
February 20, 1962

Executive Session (staff on call)

10:00 A.M.

Invocation
Adoption of Agenda
Approval of Minutes of Last Meeting
Reading of Resolution on Tax Exemption
Report of the Personnel Committee
Election of Member to Fill Unexpired Term of Mr. Branton
Other Business for Executive Session

General Session

Audit - 1961
Mrs. Alexander
Report on Reserve Fund and Funds to Be Raised - 1962
Mr. Anthony
Report on State Councils
Mr. Rilling
Report on Voter Project
Mr. Dunbar and Mr. Branton
Matters from Annual Meeting
Mr. Dunbar
Committee Discussion of Program for 1962

3:30 P.M.

Adjournment

Note: Lunch will be available at 12:30 P.M. or thereafter at the convenience of the Committee

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Accountant's Certificate

We have examined the financial statement of the Southern Regional Council, Inc., for the year ended December 31, 1961. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion the accompanying statements taken from the full audit present fairly the financial position of the Southern Regional Council, Inc., at December 31, 1961, and the results of its operations for the year then ended.

Daniel E. Harrison

Daniel E. Harrison
Registered Public Accountant

Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

BALANCE SHEET
December 31, 1961

ASSETS

Funds toward future obligations, 1962-63:			
Cash in Bank - Checking		$ 84,745.60	
Cash in Bank - Savings		60,000.00	
Investment in Trust Fund (Trust Company of Georgia)	$ 63,232.00		
Income reinvested	504.36	63,736.36	$208,481.96
Inventory, Pamphlets		$ 1,500.00	
Office Equipment		8,255.94	9,755.94
Total Assets			$218,237.90

LIABILITIES

Due to Special Projects, 1962-63:		
Southern History Project	$ 2,800.00	
Consultant Service Program	1,691.52	
Registration and Voting Survey	1,552.91	
Fellowship of the Concerned	(6,185.40)	
Southern Leadership Project	36,990.61	
Special Fund for Educational Projects	8,057.08	
New Orleans Project	2,169.07	
Research in Student Adjustment	3,733.24	$ 50,809.03
Special Grants-in-Aid to State Councils on Human Relations	$ 38,984.83	
Advance Appropriations, General Operations: 1962-63	38,000.00	
Reserve Fund	63,736.36	
Obligations Outstanding	5,010.83	145,732.02
Total Liabilities		$196,541.05
Excess of Assets over Liabilities		21,696.85
Total		$218,237.90

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSES - GENERAL OPERATIONS
January 1, 1961 to December 31, 1961

INCOME

Contributions:		
Foundations	$142,500.00	
Labor & Other Organizations	1,107.85	
Churches	4,025.00	
Individuals	763.23	$148,396.08
Interest Income	800.00	
Dividends on Securities	888.30	
NEW SOUTH Subscriptions	5,053.80	
Sale of Literature	964.70	
Associate Members' Dues	38.00	
Overhead from project grants	4,000.00	
Gain on Sale of Securities	14,269.89	26,014.69
Total Income		$174,410.77

EXPENSES

Salaries	$ 97,419.28	
Social Security Taxes	2,554.67	
Travel	9,685.01	
Telephone and Telegraph	4,909.06	
Executive Committee and Annual Meetings	5,588.51	
Consultants' Fees	3,734.70	
Books and Subscriptions	1,801.53	
Office Supplies	3,119.20	
NEW SOUTH Postage	1,781.84	
NEW SOUTH Printing	7,780.20	
Postage	1,603.32	
Printing	6,411.61	
Rent	7,200.00	
Accounting	920.00	
Georgia Sales Tax	9.19	
Miscellaneous	1,811.41	
Group Hospitalization Insurance	475.53	
Group Term Life Insurance	471.48	
Liability Insurance	283.51	
Retirement Insurance	1,947.58	
Employment Survey	1,000.00	
Total Expenses		160,507.63
Excess of Income over Expenses		$ 13,903.14

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS - SPECIAL PROJECTS
January 1, 1961 to December 31, 1961

SOUTHERN HISTORY PROJECT

RECEIPTS

Field Foundation, Inc.	$4,000.00

DISBURSEMENTS

Research Grant	1,200.00
Balance, December 31, 1961	$2,800.00

CONSULTANT SERVICE PROGRAM

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1961	$7,074.66
Travel Refunds	1.20
Total Receipts	$7,075.86

DISBURSEMENTS

Consultants' Fees	$2,380.00	
Travel and Communication	3,004.34	
Total Disbursements		5,384.34
Balance, December 31, 1961		$1,691.52

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS - SPECIAL PROJECTS
January 1, 1961 to December 31, 1961

REGISTRATION AND VOTING SURVEY

Balance, December 31, 1961 (No change during the year)	$1,552.91

FELLOWSHIP OF THE CONCERNED

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1961		$ 318.78
John Hay Whitney Foundation	$1,000.00	
Phelps-Stokes Fund	1,000.00	
Travel Refund	13.00	
Materials	11.00	2,024.00
Total Receipts		$2,342.78

DISBURSEMENTS

Regional Workshop	$8,444.88	
Materials	20.10	
Travel and Communication	63.20	
Total Disbursements		8,528.18
Excess of Disbursements over Receipts		($6,185.40)

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS - SPECIAL PROJECTS
January 1, 1961 to December 31, 1961

SOUTHERN LEADERSHIP PROJECT

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1961		$31,366.55
Rockefeller Brothers Fund	$40,000.00	
Travel Refund	17.40	40,017.40
Total Receipts		$71,383.95

DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries	$11,239.54	
Travel and Communication	4,736.52	
Office Expense	1,193.54	
Printing and Distribution	4,173.85	
Consultants' Fees	5,950.00	
Consultants' Travel	3,099.89	
Overhead	4,000.00	
Total Disbursements		34,393.34
Balance, December 31, 1961		$36,990.61

SPECIAL FUND FOR EDUCATIONAL PROJECTS

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1961		$8,784.24

DISBURSEMENTS

United Church Women, Georgia	$127.16	
United Church Women, Florida	200.00	
Quaker House, Atlanta	200.00	
Alabama Council on Human Relations	200.00	
Total Disbursements		727.16
Balance, December 31, 1961		$8,057.08

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS - SPECIAL PROJECTS
January 1, 1961 to December 31, 1961

NEW ORLEANS PROJECT

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1961		$ 4,870.44
Edgar Stern Family Fund	$6,279.00	
Taconic Foundation	3,000.00	9,279.00
Total Receipts		$14,149.44

DISBURSEMENTS

Printing, Promotion, Mailing, etc.	$10,933.53	
Travel and Communication	1,046.84	
Total Disbursements		11,980.37
Balance, December 31, 1961		$ 2,169.07

RESEARCH IN STUDENT ADJUSTMENT

RECEIPTS

New World Foundation		$7,500.00

DISBURSEMENTS

Consultants' Fees	$1,750.00	
Travel and Communication	1,609.26	
Revolving Fund for Research Materials	407.50	
Total Disbursements		3,766.76
Balance, December 31, 1961		$3,733.24

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
AID TO INDEPENDENT STATE COUNCILS ON HUMAN RELATIONS
January 1, 1961 to December 31, 1961

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1961	$41,500.00
Field Foundation (1961-62)	50,000.00
Total Receipts	$91,500.00

DISBURSEMENTS

Alabama Council on Human Relations		$ 5,812.50	
Arkansas Council on Human Relations		5,200.00	
Florida Council on Human Relations		5,002.03	
Georgia Council on Human Relations		8,500.00	
Houston (Texas) Council on Human Relations		1,500.00	
Kentucky Council on Human Relations		750.00	
North Carolina Council on Human Relations		5,700.00	
South Carolina Council on Human Relations		6,000.00	
Tennessee Council on Human Relations		5,600.00	
Virginia Council on Human Relations		6,300.00	
Discretionary Fund	$1,150.64		
Advance toward 1962 Grants-in-Aid	1,000.00	2,150.64	
Total Disbursements			52,515.17
Balance, December 31, 1961			$38,984.83

Minutes of the meeting of the Executive Committee, Atlanta, Ga.: February 20, 1962

The meeting of the Executive Committee was convened at 10:00 a. m., on Feb. 20, in the Conference room of the Southern Regional Council.

Those Present: Paul Christopher, Rufus E. Clement, James M. Dabbs, Albert W. Dent, John A. Griffin, Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton, Rabbi Jacob Rothschild, Miss Josephine Wilkins, H. Franklin Williams, Marion A. Wright, Stephen J. Wright, and John H. Wheeler, Chairman, presiding. In addition, Joseph F. Haas was present for a portion of the meeting.

All members of the professional staff were present during the General Session, with Mrs. Mildred Johnson serving as recording secretary.

EXECUTIVE SESSION
(Staff on Call)

Following the invocation, the order of the items listed on the Agenda for consideration in the General Session was changed, after which the agenda was approved and adopted.

The minutes of the last meeting were approved and adopted. The "Resolution on SRC's Charter and Tax Exemption" was read as required.

Report of the Personnel Committee: After the report of the Personnel Committee was presented, the full Committee requested: That, the Personnel Committee give consideration to the desirability of a formal statement on salary policy. After passage of this motion, the salary schedule for 1962, as [redacted] recommended by the Personnel Committee, was approved.

Election of Member to Fill Unexpired Term of Mr. [redacted]y Branton: To fill the vacancy in the Class of 1963, created by the resignation of Mr. Wiley Branton (in order to accept staff appointment), Miss Josephine Wilkins Moved the Election of Dr. Crawford Brock of Rome, Georgia. There were no other nominations. Dr. Brock was unanimously elected to the class of 1963.

GENERAL SESSION

Report on Voter Education Project: It was reported that funds for the implementation of the Voter Education Project are not yet available. However, the Taconic Foundation has made an appropriation of $250,000 for the two-year project; the funds to be granted when the Project's tax-exempt status is confirmed by the Internal Revenue Service. Mr. Adrian DeWind of the New York firm of Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton, and Garrison has been given the power of attorney to act in behalf of SRC in dealing with the IRS in this matter.

It was also reported that SRC has submitted a request for Project support to the Field Foundation. The Edgar Stern Family Fund has expressed some interest in the Project and has invited the Council to submit a request for support.

Mr. Branton reported that the Project has rented office space at 5 Forsyth St., N. W. and has been operating on a part-time basis for approximately six weeks. During this period ~~the Project Director, along with~~ he and Mr. George Barrett, who is serving as a consultant, have ~~begun to~~ made contact with a number of appropriate agencies, government offices, and local voter registration groups.

During the lengthy discussion of the Voter Education Project, the Executive Committee reminded the staff that its role ~~in the project~~ should continue to be that of coordinator for participating agencies and that SRC's direct efforts should clearly be defined as, and limited to, research.

The following motion was made, seconded and unanimously adopted: That the staff of the Southern Regional Council be authorized to proceed with the ~~procedures for implimenting the~~ Project, and that from time to time the Executive Committee be informed of its progress. Upon receipt of the Internal Revenue Service ruling, the Committee should be informed.

(Note: No report on State Councils was made since Mr. Rilling had to leave the meeting early for an out-of-town engagement.)

Southern Leadership Project - Mr. Muse. Mr. Muse reported on a conference of about 90 persons which he attended in Greenwich, Connectucut. The conference was called because of the growing concern over the radical right. Chairman was the Rev. Dean M. Kelly of the National Council of Churches. No program plans came from the conference though each individual and organizati n present was asked to propose programs at a second conference to be held in the near future.

Mr. Muse also spoke of SRC's efforts to obtain the services of former Atlanta mayor William B. Hartsffeld. This has not developed because of Mr. Hartsfield's heavy commitments since his retirement. However, he has assured Mr. Muse of his interest in SRC's program, and has expressed the hope that a small amount of his time can be devoted to SRC.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:30 p.m. for lunch and reconvened at 1:30 p.m.

Audit, Mrs. Alexander. Since a copy of the Financial Statement had been mailed to each member in advance, a detailed financial report was not given. Following a discussion of the large amount of funds in the checking account, the following motion was made, seconded and unanimously adopted: That, no more funds than necessary for the normal operation of the Council, be kept in a checking account; all other available funds to be invested in savings or appropriate other interest earning investments.

Thereafter, it was unanimously adopted, That, Mrs. Alexander's report be accepted with gratitude.

Report on Reserve Fund and Funds to be Raised - Mr. Anthony. It was reported that the Council's reserve fund - in the Trust Company of Georgia managed account - now has a value of $63,736.36.

Of the funds yet to be raised for operations during 1962, it was reported that requests totaling $100,000 have now been placed before foundations or are being prepared for the near future. Also, the Committee was informed that the B-B-T had renewed support of the Leadership Project for 2 years.

Matters from the Annual Meeting - Mr. Dunbar. The following have accepted Council Membership:

Class of 1962: The Rev. Theodore Gibson of Miami.

Class of 1965: Dr. A. D. Beittel, Tougaloo, Mississippi; Mr. Lucius Pitts, Birmingham, Alabama; The Rev. M. D. McCollom, Orangeburg, S. C.; Mr. John P. Nelson, Jr., New Orleans, La.; Mr. David Scull, Annandale, Va.; Mr. Andrew Secrest, Cheraw, S.C.; and the Rev. Kelly M. Smith, Nashville, Tenn. Mr. McNeil Smith of Greensboro, N.C., has accepted provisionally, with the request that his acceptance not become effective until early spring.

At the timeof the Annual Meeting, the question was raised asto whether the Council's Policy Statement should be revised. The Director reported that, as requested, a copy of the statement had been sent to each Member, asking guidance on the matter. To date, ten members have replied they felt no changes necessary while four have indicated that some change should be considered. Mr. Dabbs reported on receiving several replies with approximately the same division of opinion.

Mr. Haas reminded the Committee that the statement, as it now stands, is in the files of the Internal Revenue Service and if changes were made the IRS might want to reopen its files in regard to this matter. Also, such a change would be ill-timed in light of the pending ruling on the Voter Education Project. In view of these matters, the following motion was made, seconded, and unanimously adopted: That, in view of the few replies received regarding Policy Statement changes, the staff is instructed to plan no revision of the statement at this time.

Discussion of Program fro 1962. A question was raised regarding the proposed international center directed by SRC in the Knoxville, TVA area. Mr. Dunbar reported that he had informed Mrs. Helen Hill Miller of the Stern Family Fund that SRC did not feel it could consider the matter further at this time, especially in light of the heavy demands of the Voter Education Project. The Committee concurred in this and proposed to the staff that the Stern Family Fund be urged to use the funds reserved for the Knoxville program in the Voter Education Project; a program which the Committee felt has greater potential ~~at this time.~~ for the region.

The question of SRC developing a youth leadership program was reopened. After hearing a report on present Council work in this area and a discussion of possible additional work, the Committee agreed that an expanded program would be desirable, if feasible. The following motion was made, seconded and unanimously passed: That a program for the development of young Southern leadership be placed on the projects-to-be-considered agenda of the staff and the results of their considerations be reported to the Committee at an early convenient meeting.

Mrs. Tilly reported that in early 1961, the Emory University considered desegregating its Nursing School, partly from an awareness of the large amount of Federal funds involved in this program. Through Mrs. Tilly's efforts, two qualified Negro nurses were found who made application for graduate training. After much negotiating, Emory took the position that it would not desegregate until its state tax-exempt status was clarified. It was Mrs. Tilly's feelings that this was an act of evasion which would bear investigation. After discussion, the following motion was made, seconded, and unanimously passed: That a way be found by which the facts involved in Emory's refusal to accept these nurses be brought to the attention of the following persons: The U. S. Attorney General, the Surgeon General of the Public Health Service, Mr. Harris Wofford, Special Assistant to the President, Congressman Adam Clayton Powell and Mr. Harold C. Fleming of the Potomoc Institute. The above mentioned persons to be furnished with documented evidence and facts.

~~The Committee took note of the gratifying performance of Astronaut Glenn.~~

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

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EXECUTIVE SESSION
(Staff on Call)

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ELECTION OF MEMBER TO FILL UNEXPIRED TERM OF MR. WILEY BRANTON

To fill the vacancy in the Class of 1963, created by the resignation of Mr. Wiley Branton (in order to accept staff appointment), Miss Josephine Wilkins moved the election of Dr. Crawford Brock of Rome, Georgia. There were no other nominations. Dr. Brock was unanimously elected.

Resolved that: The problem of a program for the development of young Southern leadership be placed on the projects-to-be-considered agenda of the Staff and that the results of their considerations be reported to the Executive Committee at an early convenient meeting.

FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION:

The Personnel Committee was directed to give consideratipn to the desirability of a formal statement on salary policy.

Notes on the Executive Committee Meeting
February 20, 1962

The meeting of the Executive Committee was convened in the Conference Room of the Southern Regional Council at 10:00 a.m., February 20.

Those present: Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton, Marion A. Wright, James Mr. Dabbs, Stephen J. Wright, Albert Dent, Miss Josephine Wilkins, Rabbi Jacob Rothschild, H. Franklin Williams, John Griffin, Paul Christopher, Rufus E. Clement, and John H. Wheeler, the chairman, presiding.

All members of the professional staff were present with Mrs. Mildred Johnson serving as recording secretary.

EXECUTIVE SESSION
(Staff on Call) — See attached

The Personnel Committee was directed to give consideration to the desirability of a formal statement on salary policy.

GENERAL SESSION

With the approval of the Committee, the order of the items listed on the Agenda for consideration in the General Session was changed. Ex. Session

REPORT ON VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

It was reported that funds for the implementation of the Voter Education Project are not yet available. However, the Taconic Foundation has made an appropriation of a quarter of a million dollars for two years for use in connection with this project; the funds ~~not~~ to be granted ~~until~~ when the Project's tax exempt status is ~~qualified~~ established by the ~~U.S. Treasury Department~~. Internal Revenue Service. A-

It was further reported that SRC has ~~made a financial appeal~~ submitted a request for project support to the Field Foundation ~~in support of the above project from which a "substantial sum" is expected to be forthcoming~~. The Edgar Stern Family Fund has expressed some interest in the Voter Project and has ~~instructed~~ invited SRC to

put before its Board a formal request&&&

Contact has been made with the press with certain limitations. ~~It has been decided that the~~ SRC will handle its public relations ~~individually~~ while the participating agencies will ~~do likewise~~. ~~However, a joint announcement will be made when~~ and if the Treasury Department issues a favorable ruling on the Project's ~~tax exempt status.~~

During a lengthy discussion of the Voter Education Project the Executive Committee reminded the staff that its role in this project should continue to be that of coordinator for the participating agencies and that SRC's efforts should be clearly defined as research. ~~In this connection, the Committee was informed that~~ certain conditions have been established by SRC by which the cooperating agencies are to be guided and that SRC is wholly protected as far as its research role is concerned as indicated by the outline submitted to the Treasury Department at the inception of the Project.

The following motion was made:

Resolved, that the staff of the Southern Regional Council be authorized to proceed with working out the procedures for implementing the Project and that from time to time the Executive Committee be informed of its progress. Upon receipt of the Treasury Department ruling, the Exec. Committee be informed, in writing, by the staff.

~~With unanimous agreement of the Committee, the motion was adopted.~~

SOUTHERN LEADERSHIP PROJECT - Mr. Muse

Mr. Muse reported on a conference which he attended in Greenwich, Connecticut ~~about 90 persons were in attendance with no organization being officially represented.~~ ~~This conference was~~ concerned with the ~~growing danger from the radial right group with~~ Rev. Dean M. Kelly of the National Council of Churches, ~~presided serving as chairman of the~~

It was

that was

reported this a fruitful meeting and another such conference is planned for the very near future.

Mr. Muse also reported on SRC's efforts to obtain the services of Mayor Hartsfield in the capacity of consultant-speaker. This, however, has not come to fruition but the Council has Mayor Hartsfield's assurance that he will, as his schedule permits, devote some time to SRC's work in the South.

The meeting adjourned at 12:30 for lunch after which the Committee reconvened at 1:30p.m.

AUDIT - 1961, Mrs. Alexander

Mrs. Ruth House Alexander reported that the full audit had been mailed, in advance, to each member of the Committee. She then presented a Financial Statement taken from the 1961 Audit. The advisability of SRC maintaining an amount of $84,745.60 in its checking account without the benefit of earning interest on a portion of this amount was discussed with the following motion being made:

Resolved, that no more than is necessary for the smooth operation of the Council be kept in the checking account and that any excess funds be invested appropriately with the idea of earning interest on said funds.

With unanimous agreement, this motion was adopted.

It was unanimously agreed by the Members that this matter be directed to SRC's Finance Committee in the hope of working out an adequate arrangement whereby SRC may earn interest on some portion of the $84,745.00 presently deposited in its checking account.

A second motion was made that Mrs. Alexander's report be received with gratitude. This was unanimously adopted.

REPORT ON RESERVE FUNDS AND FUNDS TO BE RAISED - Mr. Anthony

Mr. Anthony reported that an initial deposit of $60,000 was put into a trust fund at the Trust Company of Georgia. The appreciation on this amount has brought the total to $67,000, pointing out that we are currently earning at the rate of 10% (this rate of interest includes the normal 3½ per cent per annum).

Funds to be Raised. -- Since no grants have been received since Annual Meeting in November, the amount of funds to be raised remains at the level of $116,000 for both the general operating budget and special projects.

Mr. Anthony reported that three requests are presently being prepared by the staff through which $100,000 of our needed funds is expected to be raised: (1) Rockefeller Foundation, the Edgar Stern Family Fund, and the New World Foundation.

It was further reported that the Rockefeller Brothers Fund has renewed its grant for another two years.

MATTERS FROM THE ANNUAL MEETING

Council Membership. -- The Executive Director reported on new members invited to Council membership. The following persons have accepted:

For the Class of 1962: The Rev. Theodore Gibson of Miami, Florida.

For the Class of 1965: Dr. A. D. Beittel, Tougaloo, Mississippi; Mr. Lucius Pitts, Birmingham, Alabama; Rev. M. D. McCollom, Orangeburg, South Carolina; Mr. John P. Nelson, Jr., New Orleans, Louisiana; Mr. David Scull, Annandale, Virginia; Mr. Andrew Secrest, Cheraw, South Carolina; and The Rev. Kelly M. Smith, Nashville, Tennessee. Mr. McNeil Smith of Greensboro, North Carolina has accepted with the request that his acceptance not become effective

until early spring.

Policy Statement. -- At the time of the Annual Meeting, the question was raised as to whether SRC's Policy Statement should be revised. The Executive Direlctor reported that since that time a copy of the policy statement was sent to each Member asking their thinking on this matter. To date only ten (10) members feel that no change should be made while three or four feel that some change would be desirable.

Mr. Haas made it clear to the Committee that any change at this time creates the danger of jeopardizing SRC's tax exempt status since the Internal Revenue Department ~~would likely~~ might reopen SRC's files in regard to this matter. Also such a change would be ill-timed in the light of the Voter Education Project's pending application for tax exemption. In view of this, the following motion was made:

Resolved, that in view of the few replies received regarding Policy Statement changes, ~~and revisions~~, the staff is instructed to make no revisions in the Statement at this time. With unanimous agreement, the motion was adopted.

DISCUSSION OF PROGRAM FOR 1962

TVA-SRC Proposed Project. -- The question was raised as to the status of the TVA-SRC proposed project of early last year. The Executive Director reported that he had informed Mrs. Helen Hill Miller of the Edgar Stern Family Fund that in view of SRC's having undertaken the Voter Education Project, there appear to be serious questions as to whether SRC should undertake a project of the kind and size as recommended by TVA at this time. It was learned, however, that the Stern Family Fund continues to reserve the necessary funds for the project in the hope that it may be developed at some later date.

The Committee recommended that the Staff proposed to the Edgar Stern Family Fund that the funds reserved for the TVA-SRC proposed project be converted to use in connection with the Voter Project which, according to the thinking of the Committee, holds greater potential for the South at this time.

Youth Leadership Program. -- The question was raised as to the possibility of SRC developing a youth leadership program in the South. It was pointed out that SRC is working closely with such groups as the Human Relations Youth Group at the University of Virginia, the Fairfax Junior Council on Human Relations, and the Junior Chapter of the Atlanta Council on Human Relations. It is also felt that as a side affect of the Voter Project, an ongoing program of develpping young Southern leadership could result.

It was suggested that some type of youth leadership program might be worked up by SRC and presented to a foundation for support of such a program.

In connection with the matter of developing young Southern leadership the following motion was made:

Resolved that the problem of a program for the development of young Southern leadership be placed on the projects-to-be-considered agenda of the staff and that the results of their considerations be reported to the Executive Committee at an early convenient meeting.

Emory University Nursing School. -- Mrs, M. E. Tilly reported that early in 1961 Emory University had expressed an interest in desegregating its Nursing School. This expression of interest grew out of the fact that Emory received a Federal grant which provided for a stipend of $250.00 per month in addition to full tuition for one year of graduate work toward the MS degree in Nursing.

Through Mrs. Tilly's efforts, two qualified Negro nurses were found who made application to the Nursing School. After much negotiating Emory took the position that it would not desegregate until its tax exempt status was clarified. It is Mrs. Tilly's feeling that this was an act of evasion which should be investigated, since Federal funds for the operation of the Nursing School are involved. She asked the Committee's thinking on this matter and next steps to be taken. In connection with this matter the following motion was made and unanimously adopted:

Resolved, that a way be found by which this matter may be brought to the attention of the following authorities and persons: Attorney General Robert Kennedy, Surgeon General of the Public Health Service, Mr. Harris Wofford, Special Assistant to the President of the U. S., Congressman Adam Clayton Powell, and Mr. Harold C. Fleming, of the Potomac Institute. The abovementioned persons and authorities to be furnished with documented evidence and facts.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned.

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MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
Southern Regional Council
Atlanta, Georgia

February 20, 1962

The meeting of the Executive Committee was convened at 10:00 a.m., February 20, 1962, in the Conference Room of the Southern Regional Council.

Those present: Paul Christopher, Rufus E. Clement, James M. Dabbs, Albert W. Dent, John A. Griffin, Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton, Rabbi Jacob Rothschild, Miss Josephine Wilkins, H. Franklin Williams, Marion A. Wright, Stephen J. Wright, and John H. Wheeler, Chairman, presiding. In addition, Joseph F. Haas was present for a portion of the meeting.

All members of the professional staff were present during the General Session, with Mrs. Mildred Johnson serving as recording secretary.

EXECUTIVE SESSION
(Staff on Call)

Following the invocation, the order of the items listed on the Agenda for consideration in the General Session was changed, after which the agenda was approved and adopted.

The minutes of the last meeting were approved and adopted. The "Resolution on SRC's Charter and Tax Exemption" was read as required.

Report of the Personnel Committee. -- After the report of the Personnel Committee was presented, the full Committee requested: That, the Personnel Committee give consideration to the desirability of a formal statement on salary policy. After passage of this motion, the salary schedule for 1962, as recommended by the Personnel Committee, was approved.

Election of Member to Fill Unexpired Term of Mr. Branton. -- To fill the vacancy in the Class of 1963, created by the resignation of Mr. Wiley Branton (in order to accept staff appointment), Miss Josephine Wilkins moved the election of Dr. Crawford Brock of Rome, Georgia. There were no other nominations. Dr. Brock was unanimously elected to the Class of 1963.

GENERAL SESSION

Report on Voter Education Project. -- It was reported that funds for the implementation of the Voter Education Project are not yet available. However, the Taconic Foundation has made an appropriation of $250,000 for the two-year project; the funds to be granted when the Project's tax-exempt status is confirmed by the Internal Revenue Service. Mr. Adrian DeWind of the New York firm of Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton, and Garrison has been given the power of attorney to act in behalf of SRC in dealing with the IRS in this matter.

It was also reported that SRC has submitted a request for Project support to the Field Foundation. The Edgar Stern Family Fund has expressed some interest in the Project and has invited the Council to submit a request for support.

Mr. Branton reported that the Project has rented office space at 5 Forsyth Street, N. W., and has been operating on a part-time basis for approximately six weeks. During this period he and Mr. George Barrett, who is serving as a consultant, have made contact with a number of appropriate agencies, government offices, and local voter registration groups.

During the lengthy discussion of the Voter Education Project, the Executive Committee reminded the staff that its role should continue to be that of coordinator for participating agencies and that SRC's direct efforts should be defined as, and limited to, research.

The following motion was made, seconded and unanimously adopted: That, the staff of the Southern Regional Council be authorized to proceed with the (V-E-) Project, and that from time to time the Executive Committee be informed of its progress. Upon receipt of the Internal Revenue Service ruling, the Committee should be informed.

(Note: No report on State Councils was made since Mr. Rilling had to leave the meeting early for an out-of-town engagement.)

Southern Leadership Project - Mr. Muse. Mr. Muse reported on a conference of about 90 persons which he attended in Greenwich, Connecticut. The conference was called because of the growing concern over the radical right. Chairman was the Rev. Dean M. Kelly of the National Council of Churches. No program plans came from the conference though each

individual and organization present was asked to propose programs at a second conference to be held in the near future.

Mr. Muse also spoke of SRC's efforts to obtain the services of former Atlanta Mayor William B. Hartsfield. This has not developed because of Mr. Hartsfield's heavy commitments since his retirement. However, he has assured Mr. Muse of his interest in SRC's program, and has expressed the hope that a small amount of his time can be devoted to SRC.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:30 p.m. for lunch and reconvened at 1:30 p.m.

Audit, Mrs. Alexander. -- Since a copy of the Financial Statement had been mailed to each member in advance, a detailed report on finances was not given.

Following a discussion of the large amount of funds in the checking account, the following motion was made, seconded and unanimously adopted: That, no more funds than necessary for the normal operation of the Council, be kept in a checking account; all other available funds to be invested in savings or appropriate other interest earning investments.

Thereafter, it was unanimously adopted, That, Mrs. Alexander's report be accepted with gratitude.

Report on Reserve Fund and Funds to be Raised, Mr. Anthony. -- It was reported that the Council's reserve fund - in the Trust Company of Georgia managed account - now has a value of $63,736.36.

Of the funds yet to be raised for operations during 1962, it was reported that requests totaling $100,000 have now been placed before foundations or are being prepared for the near future. Also, the Committee was informed that the Rockefeller Brothers Fund had renewed support of the Leadership Project for two years.

Matters from the Annual Meeting, Mr. Dunbar. -- The following have accepted Council Membership:

Class of 1962: The Rev. Theodore Gibson of Miami.

Class of 1965: Dr. A. D. Beittel, Tougaloo, Miss.; Mr. Lucius Pitts, Birmingham, Ala.; The Rev. M. D. McCollom, Orangeburg, S. C.; Mr. John P. Nelson, Jr., New Orleans, La.;

Mr. David Scull, Annandale, Va.; Mr. Andrew Secrest, Cheraw, S. C.; and the Rev. Kelly M. Smith, Nashville, Tenn. Mr. McNeil Smith of Greensboro, N. C., has accepted provisionally, with the request that his acceptance not become effective until early spring.

At the time of the Annual Meeting, the question was raised as to whether the Council's Policy Statement should be revised. The Director reported that, as requested, a copy of the Statement had been sent to each member, asking guidance on the matter. To date, ten members have replied they felt no changes necessary while four have indicated that some change should be considered. Mr. Dabbs reported on receiving several replies with approximately the same division of opinion.

Mr. Haas reminded the Committee that the Statement, as it now stands, is in the files of the Internal Revenue Service and if changes were made the IRS might want to reopen its files in regard to this matter. Also, such a change would be ill-timed in light of the pending ruling on the Voter Education Project. In view of these matters, the following motion was made, seconded, and unanimously adopted: That, in view of the few replies received regarding Policy Statement changes, the staff is instructed to plan no revision of the Statement at this time.

Discussion of Program for 1962. -- A question was raised regarding the proposed international center directed by SRC in the Knoxville-TVA area. Mr. Dunbar reported that he had informed Mrs. Helen Hill Miller of the Stern Family Fund that SRC did not feel it could consider the matter further at this time, especially in light of the heavy demands of the Voter Education Project. The Committee concurred in this and proposed to the staff that the Stern Family Fund be urged to use the funds reserved for the Knoxville program in the Voter Education Project; a program which the Committee felt has greater potential for the region.

The question of SRC developing a youth leadership program was reopened. After hearing a report on present Council work in this area and a discussion of possible additional work, the Committee agreed that an expanded program would be desirable, if feasible. The following motion was made, seconded and unanimously passed: That a program for the development of young Southern leadership be placed on the projects-to-be-considered agenda of the staff and the results of their considerations be reported to the Committee at an early convenient meeting.

Minutes - 5.
Executive Committee Meeting
February 20, 1962

Mrs. Tilly reported that in early 1961 Emory University considered desegregating its Nursing School, partly from an awareness of the large amount of federal funds involved in this program. Through Mrs. Tilly's efforts, two qualified Negro nurses were found who made application for graduate training. After much negotiating, Emory took the position that it would not desegregate until its state tax exempt status was clarified. It was Mrs. Tilly's feelings that this was an act of evasion which would bear investigation. After disucssion, the following motion was made, seconded, and unanimously passed: That a way be found by which the facts involved in Emory's refusal to accept these nurses be brought to the attention of the following persons: The U. S. Attorney-General, the Surgeon General of the Public Health Service, Mr. Harris Wofford, Special Assistant to the President of the United States, Congressman Adam Clayton Powell, and Mr. Harold C. Fleming of the Potomac Institute. The above mentioned persons to be furnished with documented evidence and facts.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

A Council to attain the ideals and practices of equal opportunity for all peoples in the South

January 14, 1963

To Members of the Executive Committee

Dear Members:

The suggested dates for the next meeting of the Executive Committee are February 19 or 20. Will you please indicate on the enclosed postcard which of these dates would be most convenient for you? And will you also indicate if it would be possible for you to come on either of the dates?

Sincerely yours,

Montez G. Albright (Mrs.)
Administrative Secretary

Enclosure

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January 22, 1963

MEMO

TO: THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

FROM: Montez Albright

The date for the next meeting of the Executive Committee has been set for Tuesday, February 19th.

The meeting will begin at 10:00 a. m. in the Conference Room of the Council, and will adjourn at 3:30 p. m.

Please let us know if a travel advance or other arrangements we can make here will be helpful to you.

End of May

REV. W. CARROLL BROOKE
P. O. BOX ~~200~~ 4211
~~STAUNTON~~, VIRGINIA
Roanoke

April 5, 1962

Dear Paul,

Glad to hear Uncle Sam has given us the "green-light" to go ahead with Voter Education Project. Notice Martin King's group has started already in "Southside" Virginia.

Will you let me know prospective dates for next Ex. Com. meeting? This is important for me as the Spring is the time for many meetings in the Diocese.

Best regards to all at SRC.

Sincerely,

Carroll Brooke

April 11, 1962

Rev. W. Carroll Brooke
P.O. Box 4211
Roanoka, Virginia

Dear Carroll:

We are hopeful the next Executive Committee meeting will be held late in May. If you can hold open the Tuesday - Thursday periods of the last two weeks of that month it should work. I know this isn't a satisfactory, but it is as specific as we dare get at this point.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

PA:bp

Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

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MEMO

TO: THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE FROM: PAUL ANTHONY

The date of the next meeting of the Executive Committee has been set for Wednesday, May 30. We realize this is Memorial Day but hope that may work to our advantage in having a large attendance. If a significant number of members cannot attend on this date it will be changed. Therefore, if you cannot be present on May 30 please indicate available dates in early June.

The meeting will begin at 10:00 a.m. in the Southern Regional Council conference room and adjourn at 3:30 p.m. Please let us know if a travel advance or other arrangements here would be helpful.

I can/cannot be present on May 30.

Possible dates June 4 - 8: _____

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Name

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

MEMORANDUM

May 24, 1962

To: Members of the Executive Committee

From: Paul Anthony
Administrative Assistant

Re: Program Activities Reports

Members of the staff have been asked to report briefly on their activities since January 1, 1962 and their reports are enclosed. These should permit time-saving at next week's meeting and also enable you to familiarize yourselves, in advance, with current activities.

STAFF REPORTS

January - May 1962

Southern Regional Council, Inc.

RESEARCH

General:

Albany - Howard Zinn - January 8, 1962
The Unequal Badge - Elliott Rudwick - January, 1962
Executive Support of Civil Rights - March 13, 1962

Employment Studies:

Chattanooga: The Negro and Employment Opportunities in the South. The second of a series of Employment Studies in Southern Cities. - February, 1962.
Atlanta: The Negro and Employment Opportunities in the South. The third of a series of Employment Studies in Southern Cities. - May, 1962.

L-Reports:

L-31 - A reprint from the Wall St. Journal - "Slipping Segregation: Negroes Win Lowering of More Barriers in South." - February, 1962
L-32 - A refutation of Carleton Putnam's book, "Race and Reason: A Yankee View." - March 9, 1962
L-33 - A Statement of Recommended Police Policy Resulting from the New York University Graduate School of Public Administration Conference on: "The Challenge of Desegregation for the American Police Executive." - March 9, 1962

Miscellaneous:

An employment study of opportunities for the Negro in Miami. Mimeographed without SRC imprint for the Florida Council. Revision of same material also to appear in New South, May, 1962.

Reprint from Fortune - "The City and the Negro" - March, 1962.

Surveys have been made of desegregation of
Hospitals
Hotels
Cultural Facilities
For the hospital survey, questionnaires were sent to every hospital with an intern program connected with medical training centers in the South - 64 hospitals.

For the hotel survey, questionnaires were sent to 11

hotel chains, 30 hotel associations, and contacts (either a Council on Human Relations, Urban League chapter, or NAACP chapter) in the same cities.

For the survey of cultural facilities, questionnaires were sent to the mayors and contacts in 20 southern cities - these cities selected because they represent the major population centers.

A tabulation of the results of the hospital survey was given the Greater Atlanta Council on Human Relations to assist it in its efforts to desegregate Grady Hospital.

The survey on cultural facilities is scheduled for publication in a forthcoming issue of New South.

Publications and/or Reports in Progress:

The Negro and Crime
State Commissions on Human Relations (Ben Muse)
Desegregation of Schools: Atlanta, Memphis, and Dallas (Newsom)
Desegregation of Catholic parochial schools (L-Report - B. Patterson)

Studies Committed:

Economic Status of Negroes in South (V. Henderson)
Agricultural Aid Programs and Voting Participation in South Carolina (Ira Kaye)

Other Activities Completed:

A conference on voting research was held in the SRC offices on May 1 and 2, 1962, attended by 14 academic men prominent in the field of voting research in the South.

James Moss

FIELD ACTIVITIES

The state Councils on Human Relations continue to show growth and increased vitality and effectiveness. These factors are due both to improving climates in many of the states and to sound and dedicated leadership. As of May 15 the total membership of the state Councils stood at 6,338. This compares with a total of 6,171 in July, 1961. During the last 12 months six of the state Councils have shown substantial improvement.

The largest is Virginia, with a membership of 2,100. The second largest is now Tennessee, which has grown from 581 to 781 during the last year, followed by Florida with a membership of 700.

During the first quarter of the current fiscal year, the state Councils have raised $19,541.00. This compares with $14,224.00 raised during the comparable period a year ago.

In addition, three of the state Councils have received special foundation grants this year. Last fall the Georgia Council received a grant from the Field Foundation to make

possible the employment of a second staff member. The Rev. Oliver Wendell Holmes, Jr., formerly president of the Savannah Council, is currently serving ably in this capacity and giving the Georgia Council benefit of biracial professional staff. The Tennessee Council also received a small grant from the Field Foundation to strengthen its work for the next two years. In May, the Virginia Council was notified that the William C. Whitney Foundation had determined to grant $3,500 for each of the three years beginning with 1962. The VCHR plans to employ a Negro professional staff member as associate director for the coming year and hopes that sufficient funds will be found to continue the position into the future.

On May 3 some 55 persons from throughout Mississippi gathered on the Tougaloo College campus in Jackson to organize a new Mississippi Council on Human Relations. Although the group was harassed by adverse press and TV publicity and by agents of the State Sovereignty Commission and White Citizens Council, it determined to move ahead and raise a standard of constructive progress in Mississippi. Selected as chairman was Dr. Dan Beittel, President of Tougaloo College and SRC board member. Elected as vice-chairmen were Rabbi Charles Mantinband of Hattiesburg, SRC board member, and Dr. D. I. Horn, Jr., President of Mary Holmes Junior College at West Point, Mississippi. The group authorized the appointment of a constitutional committee and plans to move ahead with local activity in all parts of the state, looking toward another and larger meeting in the fall.

New local interracial groups have been organized in recent months, particularly in Georgia and Virginia. Since last fall the Virginia Council has organized local affiliated groups in Fredericksburg, Williamsburg, and in Bluefield, West Virginia, right across the border from Virginia. The Georgia Council has recently organized in Rome, Brunswick, and Albany.

Other notable activities of the state Councils include:

1. The involvement of both Georgia staff members in the critical Albany situation. At two points during the crisis the director of the Georgia Council was able to arrange new negotiations.

2. The presentation of able and prominent speakers. Carl Rowan, Assistant to the Secretary of State for Public Affairs, has spoken to the Georgia and Arkansas Councils. Berl Bernhard, Staff Director of the Commission on Civil Rights, has spoken to the Tennessee and Virginia Councils. Secretary of Labor Goldberg has agreed to speak to the Tennessee Council in the near future. Ralph McGill spoke recently to the North Carolina Council. Dr. Ralph Bunche is scheduled to address the Richmond Council and Dean Rusk has tentatively agreed to speak to the Richmond group in the near future.

3. The North Carolina Council has met several times recently with the Governor to press for progress beyond tokenism and for the employment of more Negroes in state departments. The NCCHR also made a public statement in behalf of broader school desegregation which received wide publicity.

4. The Virginia Council has organized a state interagency meeting involving some 75 organizations and agencies with some human relations concern. The group will meet periodically. John Feild, Director of the President's Committee on Equal Employment Opportunity, will address the meeting in late May.

5. The Houston Council sponsored a seminar for 50 selected high school students representing various ethnic, racial, and religious groups.

6. The Florida Council was able to play a helpful role in advising and negotiating in Cocoa, Fla., where a tense situation concerning recreational facilities was solved with the appointment of a Mayor's biracial committee, which recommended the complete desegregation of the facilities.

7. The Atlanta Council published a survey of the first year of school desegregation in Atlanta. The document received widespread notice and was recently quoted in the New York Times.

8. The director of the Alabama Council has been extremely active in the current crisis situation in Birmingham and is one of the few persons in the city with access to Negro leadership and white persons in the business and civic leadership of the city.

Activities of SRC Field staff since January have included:

1. Several trips to Albany, Georgia, at the request of the Georgia Council to assist and supplement activities of the Georgia Council there.

2. A trip to Pensacola, Florida, to advise a citizens group there concerning preparation for peaceful desegregation. This trip involved also meetings with the school superintendent and school principals, white and Negro.

3. Several trips to New Orleans to offer suggestions to groups there preparing for desegregation next fall and to explore the flickerings of interest in the organization of an interracial council in the city.

4. A trip to Charleston to consult with white and Negro leaders concerning the boycott situation and to explore ways of strengthening interracial cooperation there. This trip was at the request of the SCCHR, which does not have a local organization in Charleston.

5. The planning and direction of the annual State Staff Meeting, which was held at SRC February 15 and 16.

6. Several trips to Birmingham to advise with the director of the Alabama Council concerning the constructive steps that might be made in that situation.

7. Supervision of a pilot project to attempt to reach Black Belt areas through radio in conjunction with the Friendly World Broadcasting Company and Mr. Edwin Randall.

8. Participation for SRC in the regional meeting of the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee in Atlanta April 27 and 28.

9. Assistance to the organizing committee of the Mississippi Council on Human Relations and participation in the organizing meeting on May 3.

10. A series of speeches to six political science and sociology classes at Millsaps College, Jackson, Miss., May 2.

Paul Rilling

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

While awaiting approval of Internal Revenue on our request for tax exemption, contact was established with various federal agencies, private foundations, organizations, and others interested in voter registration in the South. In a letter dated March 22, 1962, SRC was informed by Internal Revenue Service that if we "operate the project strictly in accordance with the representations made . . . the activity will not adversely affect your present exemption from Federal income tax . . ." News of the tax ruling came while Leslie Dunbar and Wiley Branton were in New York for conferences with participating agencies, and the group agreed to a March 29 news release.

Grants have been received from Taconic Foundation of $250,000 for a two year period; $75,000 from Field Foundation for one year; and $124,000 total for a two year period from the Edgar Stern Family Fund. This gives VEP $262,000 for the first year's operation.

Proposals for a two year campaign have been submitted by NAACP, CORE, SCLC, SNCC, and NUL, and representatives from each met with VEP in Atlanta on April 17. SRC Research and VEP held a conference in Atlanta on May 1 and 2 to discuss research problems involving the voter project, which was attended by a dozen or so political scientists and other scholars from over the South. All in attendance promised continuing cooperation to the Project research.

VEP decided to launch Ninety Day Programs in states where registration deadlines could still be met for summer primaries and made the following grants: CORE - $8,625.00; SCLC - $11,500.00; SNCC - $5,750.00; NAACP - $17,250.00; and NUL - $5,750.00. CORE will be working in Baton Rouge, La., Jackson, Miss., and in the 6th Congressional District and in Clarendon, Sumter, and York Counties, South Carolina.

NAACP will work in Jackson, Miss.; Shreveport, Baton Rouge, Lake Charles, and Monroe, La.; High Point, Fayetteville, Charlotte, Rocky Mount, Wilmington and Edenton, North Carolina; Beaufort, Columbia, Greenville, and Charleston, South Carolina; and Memphis, Fayette County, Haywood County, Knoxville, Chattanooga, and Clarksville, Tennessee.

National Urban League will be working in Winston-Salem and Richmond.

SCLC will work in Shreveport, La.; Chowan County and Elizabeth City, North Carolina; Charleston, South Carolina;

Knoxville and Chattanooga, Tennessee; and in the 4th Congressional District of Virginia.

SNCC will work in Orangeburg County, South Carolina and in Jackson, Hattiesburg, Marshall County and the old 3rd and 4th Congressional Districts of Mississippi.

The first VEP grant was made to the Atlanta All Citizens Registration Committee on April 12 in the amount of $2,000.00, with a supplemental grant on May 15 in the amount of $1,600.00. A grant was also made to the Durham Committee on Negro Affairs on April 27 in the sum of $2,500.00

VEP requires participating agencies to deposit the proceeds of our grants in a separate bank account and to make disbursements from same only when supported by vouchers. Agencies are required to coordinate their registration efforts where more than one agency is working in the same area. Plans are now being formulated for a long range program in 11 Deep South states. Immediate attention is being given to "crash programs" in New Orleans and Nashville.

Wiley A. Branton

SOUTHERN LEADERSHIP PROJECT

Short Statement of SLP Activities since January 1, 1962

The activities of the Southern Leadership Project followed a somewhat more selective pattern of travel but continued in the main along the lines of previous efforts. I have personally concentrated on South Carolina, Alabama, and Georgia; Mr. Brewbaker has visited school authorities in the more critical situations.

Mr. Brewbaker took part in a workshop on desegregation problems in Chattanooga January 16 and attended the annual meeting of Virginia school superintendents April 16. He was invited to the latter by the State Superintendent of Public Instruction. He has conferred with school authorities in Spartanburg and Greenville, S.C.; Atlanta and Savannah, Ga.; Mobile, Ala.; New Orleans and Baton Rouge, La.; Tallahassee and Pensacola, Fla.; and Raleigh, N.C.

I have given somewhat more time to desk work and counseling with my colleagues in Atlanta on general SRC problems. I have collaborated with the newly active Catholic human relations movement, visiting three Catholic bishops and conferring with a group of advisers to Archbishop Rummel in New Orleans. I have also cooperated increasingly with the Department of Justice and the Commission on Civil Rights.

I have been especially concerned in recent months with the need for emboldening the Southern clergy to witness

forthrightly for the Christian attitude in race relations. After much discussion of the problem with Dr. Dunbar and Rev. Will Campbell, of the National Council of Churches, it has been decided to engage a minister consultant who would be identified as a representative of the National Council of Churches, but who would be financed from this project. Such a minister would be expected to travel in the South visiting and talking with Protestant ministers, especially in the rural districts.

Benjamin Muse

INFORMATION ACTIVITIES

We've had 36 foreign visitors since Jan. 1, for stays ranging from two to seven days and have arranged about 44 full days' programs for them, including an increasing number of home dinners with the help of the Atlanta Council on Human Relations. The 36 do not include drop-in visitors we talk to, show around the office and mail or give publications to, nor 24 Ohio students with whom we conferred and for whom we arranged appointments.

I've made nine speeches (or will have by May 22) - at Oberlin College, Daytona Beach, the Indiana Civil Liberties Union and two womens clubs and the Senior Citizens Club in Atlanta.

New South promotions have been mailed to five lists of possible subscribers, with little return.

We are rather pleased with our New South book section, when we have room for it. Jan wrote to a lot of publishers asking for review copies and we've had books from Random House, Norton, Dial, Harcourt Brace, Simon and Schuster, University of North Carolina Press, Charles C. Thomas, Houghton-Mifflin, Louisiana State University Press and maybe some others.

We've cast about for some distinguished and authoritative writing for New South and wangled some good pieces from names like Lillian Smith, Louis Lomax and Nedra Tyre. We don't count Mr. Dabbs and Mr. Wright, because they have to do for us, anyway. New South lately seems to take more editing and letter-writing as we're getting in manuscripts and even poetry to be considered and usually rejected.

I did a little literary consultation and editing for fellow laborers in the vineyard, SNCC and SCLC, which may have been more offensive than helpful, because I haven't heard thanks or you're crazy or pea turkey from them since.

I spend about every fifth day cleaning up my well-ordered mess in search of some mysterious document you seem to think I'm sitting on, a highly constructive activity which is,

however, perhaps not too susceptible to appraisal and value judgement.

We had a great literary tea for Lillian Smith March 31 at the Biltmore Hotel, a gladsome mingling attended by some 600 of all colors. We sold 110 books and Miss Lil figured she autographed over 200. The Ku Klux Klan came and picketed. We think this was good for the town, us, the Georgia and Atlanta Councils, and Miss Lil.

Margaret Long

DIRECTOR OF WOMEN'S WORK

The 'rolling chair' has traveled many miles to doctors' offices, clinics, and meetings.

February:

The Atlanta Fellowship of the Concerned had a program at the Atlanta Library during Brotherhood Week, with about 200 present.

March:

Attended the Annual Meeting of North Georgia Women's Society of Christian Service, Augusta, Georgia.

April:

Attended the Spring Student Conference at Paine College, Augusta, Georgia, which lasted three days, and spoke to the student body.

Spoke to the Augusta Council on Human Relations.

May:

Spent the week of May 14, as a Special Guest of the Woman's Division of Christian Service, in its 6th Assembly of Methodist Women, in Atlantic City. Over 10,000 women were in attendance.

I have been to Washington, D.C. twice - once for the Board Meeting of the ADA, and later to attend the annual meeting. The biggest job I have had is to make a comparative study of the social action program of the Methodist Church and the present civil rights action of the Federal Government.

In addition to the above, I taught a district-wide class - Atlanta West District Woman's Society of Christian Service, Fair Oaks, Marietta, Community Bible Study each month, a Forum class of young people.

I have met four times with executive committees of

the United Church Women as we planned a day on "The Family," held at a private home in Lithonia, Georgia, and planning for the fall meeting of the Fellowship of the Concerned, which is to be held on October 30-31.

Mrs. M. E. Tilly

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Minutes of the Executive Committee
May 30, 1962

The meeting of the Executive Committee convened in the Conference Room of the Southern Regional Council at 10:00 a.m., Wednesday, May 30, 1962. Mr. John Wheeler presiding.

Those present: W. Carroll Brooke, Paul Christopher, R. E. Clement, James M. Dabbs, Albert W. Dent, John A. Griffin, Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton, Rabbi Jacob Rothschild, Father Alexander O. Sigur, H. Franklin Williams, M. A. Wright, Stephen J. Wright.

All members of the SRC professional staff were present during the General Session, with Mrs. Mildred M. Johnson serving as recording secretary.

EXECUTIVE SESSION
(Staff on Call)

Invocation:

Adoption of Agenda. -- Following the invocation, the order of the items listed on the Agenda for consideration in the General Session was changed, after which the agenda was approved and adopted.

The minutes of the last meeting were approved and adopted. The "Resolution on SRC's Charter and Tax Exemption" was read as required.

Election of (2) Members to Nominating Committee. -- Martin Luther King, Jr. Foster (Atty)

~~Other Business for Executive Session.~~ --

GENERAL SESSION

During a brief Memorial Service for Dr. George S. Mitchell, former Executive Director of the Council, Mr. ~~Wright Marion A.~~ Wright spoke ~~made tributory remarks highlighting~~ the significant and effective work done by Dr. Mitchell, ~~during his tenure at the Council~~. Mr. Wright called attention to the Tribute paid Dr. Mitchell in the April New South, prepared by Mr. Paul Williams, former SRC pres. & a close associate of Dr. Mitchell ~~and SRC board member~~, ~~and the~~ ~~The Washington Post~~ editorial of April 23, ~~reprinted in April~~ New South. A prayer was offered by Dr. R. Clement

The following resolution was made, seconded, and unanimously adppted: that the Executive Director prepare an appropriate resolution expressing the regrets of the Executive Committee at the

passing of Dr. Mitchell to be forwarded to the members of his family. Unanimous approval was indicated by ~~the~~ a standing vote ~~of all members~~ of the Committee.

Report on Investments and Finances - Mr. Anthony. -- Mr. Anthony reported the following: SRC Finances: $60,000; Cash on Hand: $41,000. SRC has now received an additional $50,000 grant from the Rockefeller Foundation. SRC has purchased $40,000 in bonds to be held until March 1963.

PA records!

The Executive Director reported that since the Committee last met SRC has received the following grants: (1) Rockefeller Brothers Fund grant renewed for ~~another~~ 2 year; (2) New World Foundation has granted a two-year grant of $25,000 per year; (3) Field Foundation renewed a three-year grant of $25,000 per year.

The Council has received funds for the Voter Education Project from the Taconic Foundation in the amount of $250,000 for two years; The Field Foundation, $75,000 for one year; and the Stern Family Fund, $124,000 for two years.

The following resolution was made, seconded, and unanimously adopted: that the staff prepare and send a letter of appreciation to the Field Foundation for renewing a 3-year grant to the Council.

The Committee commended the staff for its fund-raising efforts in 1962.

Report on Voter Education Project. -- Mr. Branton. Mr. Branton reported that since the last meeting of the Committee, the VEP has received a ruling from the Internal Revenue Service granting VEP tax exemption. This has allowed the Project to begin operations on a normal basis. It was reported that the Atlanta All Citizens Registration Committee was the first organization to receive a grant through VEP to which a total of $31,600 was granted. Through the efforts of the All Citizens Registration Committee, during its crash registration campaign, ~~a [illegible] increase in the~~ number of Negro voters in Atlanta has been increased to approx. ~~[illegible]~~ 5,000.

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The VEP is concentrating its efforts in the following six Southern states: Louisiana, Tennessee, Mississippi, Virginia, North Carolina and South Carolina.

Grants were made to the five participating national groups (CORE, SCLC, SNCC, NAACP AND NUL) to carry on ninety-day "crash" programs where registration deadlines could still be met. These agencies submitted proposals described where they would operate and what they wanted to accomplish. which the proposals served as criteria for making grants to these agencies.

The Durham Committee on Negro Affairs has been granted $2,500 to carry on work in the Durham area. Recently in Middle-Tennessee (Davidson County) a grant was made. This effort will have the cooperation of the Political Science Deparment of Fisk University, the NAACP And other organizations in that area to carry on a four-month program, beginning June 1.

Mr. Branton related to the Committee his observations of the Baton Rouge CORE group which is energetically at work in its efforts to register voters in that area. He pointed out that the methods being used, the teamwork, and enthusiasm displayed were gratifying.

During the lengthy discussion of the Voter Education Project, the Executive Committee again reminded the staff that the VEP should continue to play the role of researcher in order to comply with the IRS tax exempt ruling. In order to assure this, it was suggested by Dr. Clement that the VEP, with the approval of SRC, should suggest to each agency participating in the Project an adequate form of reporting so that an evaluation of the methods used can be made. It was further pointed out that all such reports should be uniform and kept on file in the VEP office for the perusal of the IRS should this become necessary.

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In Connection with the VEP Dr. Moss reported on a recent conference held in the offices of SRC to which twelve professors of various colleges and universities, who had been or is presently involved in voter research, were invited. The purpose of the conference was to share with them research objectives of the Vep and to secure from them some suggestions as to what methods ought to be used in our Vep effort.

insert: Mr. Marion Wright ~~suggested that~~ advised the group of a plan proposed by N.C. Mutual Life Ins. to send reminders to their policy holders, upon reaching the age of 21, of their respon. to become registered voters. He suggested that Dep might utilize the results of such efforts ~~+~~ & suggested that N.C. Mutual be approached in this regard

It was reported that SRC has under advisement a study of the retarding factors in regard to voting in some rural counties in South Carolina.

The Executive Director reported a meeting in early March of the five participating agencies in the VEP effort, at which time it was decided that the objectives of the Project would be:

(1) to study those factors which inhibit voting in the South; (2) to study the methods by which most effectively these factors are overcome.

Selection of Date for Annual Meeting. -- It was unanimously decided that the Annual Meeting be held on November 19 and 20, 1962.

The Fellowship of the Concerned: -- Mrs. Tilly reported on her activities since the last meeting of the Executive Committee. Meetings attended: North Georgia Women's Society of Christian Service, Augusta Georgia; Spring Student Conference at Paine College, Augusta, Georgia; Meeting of the Augusta Council on Human Relations; 6th Assembly of Methodist Women, Atlantic City, New Jersey; and Board and Annual Meetings of the Americans for Democratic Action, Washington, D. C.

It was further reported that the fall meeting of the Fellowship of the Concerned is scheduled for October 30 and 31, to be held at the Interdenominational Theological Seminary in Atlanta.

Report on State Councils - Mr. Rilling. -- Mr. Rilling reported on the situation in Alabama pointing out that Mr. Jimerson, executive Director of the Alabama Council on Human Relations, is among some 100 people in Birmingham under temporary injunction to desist from participating in demonstrations, boycotts, etc. Mr. Jimerson is presently under a $2,000 bond. On June 18 Jimerson, among others, is to appear in court to fight a permanent injunction. Mr. Jimerson and his lawyer, Mr. Morgan, feel that there is an opportunity to win the case and at the same time to get a better understanding of the image of ACHR.

It was reported that the Mississippi Council is in the process of being re-organized. On May 3, 1962 an organizational meeting was held in Jackson, Miss., at Tougaloo College at which time approximately 55 persons from throughout Miss

Met with the idea of drawing up a constitutional committee and plans for moving ahead in the State.

Mr. Rilling also reported attempts in New Orleans to re-organize the New Orleans Council on Human Relations. It is expected that more specific plans will be made for this group during subsequent meetings.

Discussion of Program. -- The Executive Director reported two program activities for the Southern Regional Council.

(1) Work with Radio in Alabama. Ed Randall, of the Friendly World Broadcasting Company, a highly skilled radio technician, has been employed to attempt to develop a series of programs in Alabama called "A Yankee in the Heart of Dixie". The purpose of the programs is to encourage Alabamans to talk freely about their problems in an interesting way. He has done ten tapes and is soon to begin the second series of ten tapes. Mr. Randall, in using the moderate approach, has not, during the first series, discussed the race issue. It is anticipated that the second series will draw the participants into such a discussion.

At the present, twenty-five stations in Alabama & 4 in Ga are now running the programs on a regular basis. ~~In Georgia four stations are running the program,~~ 17 stations in Alabama and 7 in Georgia have auditioned the programs. It is hoped that with the issuance of the next ten tapes, these stations will continue to carry the tapes since the question of race will be dealt with.

It was suggested by Dr. John Griffin that SRC consider mailing post cards to various stations in Alabama encouraging them to continue the program.

(2) A second anticipated program activity is being planned with the cooperation of the National Council of Churches. SRC has observed that almost no work is being carried on in the rural areas of the South - consequently, The Council anticipates developing such a program with the use of consultative services of a Southern minister. The supervision of such a program

to be under the direct supervision of Rev. Will D. Campbell. A Southern Methodist minister has recently been interviewed who might possibly work out of Mr. Campbell's office in Nashville. If the program idea develops, the Council will be attempting to do something Constructive in the area of the Rural church.

In connection with the above program, Fr. Sigur suggested that since the National Council of Churches has no [redacted] dealings with the Catholic Church [redacted] the Council [redacted] make direct approaches to the [redacted] Catholic churches in the rural South in an attempt to draw them into such a program.

~~In connection with the rural church program,~~ Mr. M. A. Wright suggested [redacted] that the following be considered: (a) an approach be made to Billy Graham's radio station, [redacted] in Black Mountain, North Carolina. In view of Mr. Graham's large following, and the fact that the radio station, newly established, would carry a sizeable listening audience, much can be accomplished in connection with SRC's rural church program through broadcasts via this station; (b) In Mid-Western, North Carolina [redacted] (Blueridge, etc.) there are social action groups that [redacted] have one or more programs aimed at [redacted] rural [redacted] ministers and programs geared toward the race question. These groups could possibly be indused to cooperate with ~~the Council~~ SRC in its rural church program.

Dr. Clement suggested that the Council might give some thought to cooperating with the Blueridge Assembly which holds an annual summer [redacted] interracial youth conference. This Conference might provide SRC with an opportunity to work with youth groups which has been a long-considered project of SRC.

Dr. Dent directed the staff's attention to Wilma Dykeman and James Stokeley's soon-to-be-released book on the life of Dr. Will Alexander called The Seeds of Southern Change. He pointed out that this book gives some interesting background on ~~the~~ both SRC and ~~several~~ [redacted] rural people of the South.

In connection with the rural program, Mr. Christopher suggested that the staff be in touch with Mr. Bill Batt of the A. R. A. (Area Redevelopment Act). The ARA [redacted] is set up to re-train people of the rural areas for new skills. [redacted] in an effort to alleviate the unemployment problems in these areas.

In regard to the Executive Support of Civil Rights report, recently issued by the Council, the Executive Director called the Members' attention to a montage prepared by the staff illustrating the report's reception by various agencies and groups - particularly governmental agencies.

On behalf of the Executive Committee, Mrs. Hamilton commended the staff for an excellent piece of work well done. Dr. Dent suggested that in another year the Council should consider issuing a subsequent report which traces executive action up to that period.

Some discussion of hotel desegregation followed after which the staff was asked to look into the possibility of scheduling the Annual Meeting at a downtown Atlanta hotel.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:20 pm.

File - Ex. Cttee
May 30, 1962

Les,

I've read through the minutes of the Exec. Ctee. and pulled out the following things which the staff has been instructed and/or authorized to do. You'll probably want to do something about these immediately.

1. The staff is instructed to prepare an appropriate resolution expressing the Executive Committee's regrets at the passing of Dr. Geo. Mitchell. Resolution to be forwarded to Mrs. Mitchell in Scotland.

2. The staff is instructed to prepare and send a letter to the Field Foundation expressing the Committee's appreciation for ~~the~~ its 3-year grant ($25,000 a year) to SRC.

~~This~~ 3. The staff is authorized to supplement the Alabama Council budget, approved at the Annual Meeting, by an amount not to exceed $2,000 to be drawn from either the Contingency Fund or from SRC's Reserve Funds.

*The supplementary amount is to be reserved for the Jimerson Defense Fund.

Les, I've also pullled out program suggestions as made by the various Executive Cttee. Members. These will be recorded in the formal minutes.

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
Southern Regional Council
Atlanta, Georgia

May 30, 1962

The meeting of the Executive Committee convened in the Conference Room of the Southern Regional Council at 10:00 a.m., Wednesday, May 30, 1962, John H. Wheeler, presiding.

Those present: The Rev. W. Carroll Brooke, Paul Christopher, Rufus E. Clement, James M. Dabbs, Albert W. Dent, John A. Griffin, Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton, Rabbi Jacob Rothschild, Rt. Rev. Msgr. Alexander O. Sigur, H. Franklin Williams, Marion A. Wright, and Stephen J. Wright.

All members of the professional staff were present during the General Session, with Mrs. Mildred M. Johnson serving as recording secretary.

EXECUTIVE SESSION
(Staff on Call)

Following the invocation, the order of the items listed on the Agenda for consideration in the General Session was changed, after which the agenda was approved and adopted.

The minutes of the last meeting were approved and adopted. The "Resolution on SRC's Charter and Tax Exemption" was read as required.

Election of (2) Members to the Nominating Committee.--As required in the By-Laws, the Committee elected two members to serve on the Nominating Committee with the three members elected at the annual meeting. Elected were: Rabbi Charles Mantinband (alternate; Most Rev. Joseph B. Brunini) and Dr. Luther H. Foster (alternate; Dr. Arthur Gray).

GENERAL SESSION

During a brief memorial service for Dr. George S. Mitchell, Mr. Marion Wright spoke of the valued and effective work done by Dr. Mitchell. Mr. Wright called attention to the tribute paid Dr. Mitchell in the April New South, prepared by Mr. Paul Williams, former President and a close associate of Dr. Mitchell.

A prayer was offered by Dr. Clement.

The following resolution was made, seconded, and unanimously adopted: That, the staff prepare an appropriate resolution expressing the regrets of the Executive Committee at the passing of Dr. Mitchell, to be forwarded to the members of Dr. Mitchell's family. Unanimous approval was given by a standing vote of the Committee.

Report on Investments and Finances. -- Mr. Anthony reported that in addition to the Council's reserve fund, there now is $60,000 in the savings account with the Citizens' Trust Company, and the Council had just purchased $40,000 in Federal Intermediate Credit Banks 3.10% Debentures, due 3/4/63, purchased at 100.

Mr. Dunbar reported that since the Committee last met, the Council has received the following grants: a two-year renewal of the Rockefeller Brothers Fund support of the Southern Leadership Project, in the amount of $40,000 per year; a renewal for two years of the grant from the New World Foundation at $25,000 per year; a renewal for three years of the support of the Field Foundation at $25,000 per year.

The Field Foundation action was unexpected at this time. In light of this, the following resolution was made, seconded, and unanimously adopted: That, the staff prepare and send to the Field Foundation a letter of appreciation.

Mr. Dunbar also reported on funds received for the Voter Education Project. They are: $250,000 from the Taconic Foundation for a period of two years; $75,000 from the Field Foundation for one year; and $124,000 from the Stern Family Fund for two years.

The Committee commended the staff for its fund-raising efforts.

Report on the Voter Education Project. -- Mr. Branton reported that, since the Council received the favorable advance ruling from the Internal Revenue Service, the Project had begun operation on a normal basis. The first grants, totaling approximately $60,000, have been made. Each of the cooperating agencies, as outlined in the original plans, have received a portion of these funds, as have several local groups.

Initial programs are being concentrated in Louisiana, Tennessee, Mississippi, Virginia, North Carolina, and South Carolina, and are concerned primarily with "crash" programs where registration deadlines for the current year can still be met. Several types of plans for voter registration and a wide range of rural and urban conditions are involved in order that the project staff can begin to study the relative merits of each.

Dr. Moss reported on a recent conference called by SRC, in which twelve professors from southern colleges and universities, who have been or are involved in voter registration research, were invited. This group shared with the Research and Project staffs their ideas on the ways in which the Project might have the greatest research value.

Several Committee members offered research suggestions to the staff and the Committee noted its agreement with the staff that major emphasis continue to be placed on the research aspects of the effort.

Date of Annual Meeting. -- It was unanimously decided by the Committee that the Annual Meeting should be held in Atlanta on November 19 and 20, 1962. The staff was instructed to draw up plans and to investigate the possibility of holding the meeting in a downtown hotel.

Fellowship of the Concerned. -- Mrs. Tilly reported on activities since the last meeting of the Committee and informed the Committee that the fall meeting of the Fellowship of the Concerned would be held in Atlanta at the Interdenominational Theological Seminary on October 30 and 31.

Report on State Councils. -- Mr. Rilling reported that the director of the Alabama Council, the Reverend Norman Jimerson, was under injunction from participating in or encouraging, boycotts, demonstrations, and the like. Counsel has been secured and the group is prepared to do whatever is necessary to oppose and have this injunction lifted. It was the feeling of the Committee that the Council has an obligation to support the Alabama Council. The following motion was made, seconded, and unanimously passed: That, the staff be authorized to increase the 1962 grant-in-aid to the Alabama Council on Human Relations by an amount up to $2,000 in the event that group should need assistance.

Mr. Rilling also reported on efforts to reorganize local Councils in New Orleans and in Mississippi. However, members of the Mississippi group are under serious harassment from the Citizens' Councils and the success of the effort there is by no means certain at this time.

Discussion of Program. -- Mr. Dunbar reported on several new programs. These include an experiment with the use of radio in the Deep South. Mr. Edwin Randall of the Friendly World Broadcasting Company has prepared a series, "A Yankee in the Heart of Dixie," and is having success in placing the program with small stations in Alabama. The Southern Leadership Project is investing a modest amount of money in this experiment.

The Southern Leadership Project is also developing a program of work with rural ministers. Under the proposed program a minister will work with the Rev. Will D. Campbell and the National Council of Churches. The Southern Regional Council will assist financially, the National Council will serve as sponsor and provide administrative supervision, and the two agencies will jointly plan and direct the program.

Msgr. Sigur suggested that since the National Council of Churches has no dealings with the Catholic Church, the Council should make direct approaches to the Catholic churches in the rural South.

Mr. Marion Wright suggested that an approach be made to Billy Graham's radio station in Black Mountain, North Carolina. In view of Mr. Graham's large following, and the fact that the station, newly established, would have a large audience, much might be accomplished in connection with SRC's rural church program. Several social action groups in Western North Carolina, with particular interest in rural work, might also be approached.

Dr. Dent directed the staff's attention to the new book by Wilma Dykeman and James Stokely on the life of Dr. Will Alexander: The Seeds of Southern Change.

Mr. Christopher suggested that the staff investigate program possibilities with Area Redevelopment Act personnel.

The Committee was given a report on the reception of the Council study, Executive Support of Civil Rights. It was suggested that the staff give consideration to issuing similar reports at appropriate times.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

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Ex. Cttee Mtg
May 30, 1962

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia

MEMORANDUM June 13, 1962

To: Members of the Board

From: Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

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At a recent meeting of the Executive Committee, the dates, November 19 and 20 were chosen for the 1962 Annual Meeting of the Council. Details of the meeting will be sent to you later. In the meantime, please reserve these dates.

We are enclosing a resolution passed by the Executive Committee. We thought you would be interested.

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A RESOLUTION

of the

Executive Committee
Southern Regional Council

George Mitchell brought a gay heart and merry speech to scholarship. He was an executive who kept alive and quick his compassion for people. He gave himself and whatever he had to act as the tragic history of his South proposed, as his scholarship directed, and as his moral persuasions confirmed; his was no divided life.

As Executive Director of the Southern Regional Council from 1947 to 1957, George Mitchell held the Council true to the permanent interests of the region and nation. He never succumbed to the style of thinking which puts the institution ahead of its cause. He knew that his mission, during years of political passion and primitivism, was primarily to keep the Council strong in principle, and only secondarily to make it strong in popular esteem. As a result, we who administer the Council's affairs in brighter times lead an organization which has never lost its self-respect or the respect of others of good will.

George Mitchell was our fellow-worker and our mentor. He was our friend. It is to each of us a great sadness that he has gone.

James McBride Dabbs
Rufus E. Clement
Miss Josephine Wilkins
Albert W. Dent
Marion A. Wright
The Rev. W. C. Brooke
Paul R. Christopher
John A. Griffin
Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton
Rabbi Jacob Rothschild
The Rt. Rev. Msgr. Alexander Sigur
H. Franklin Williams
Stephen J. Wright
Joseph F. Haas

John H. Wheeler, Chairman

May 30, 1962

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SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
5 FORSYTH STREET, N.W., ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA

MEMORANDUM August 2, 1962

To: Members of the Executive Committee

From: Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

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Thursday, September 20, has been selected as the date for the next meeting of the Executive Committee.

The usual schedule will be followed for the meeting at the SRC conference room; beginning at 10:00 a.m., and ending no later than 3:30 p.m. Except for a brief meeting before the Annual Meeting in November, this will be the last meeting of the year.

Will you please let us know whether or not you can be present. A stamped envelope is enclosed for your convenience.

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Paul -

Am leaving Saturday for Washington, then on to Atlanta toward the end of next week. Will be

in Touch Then

Hope all Goes well.

Love —

Josephine

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Sept. 20, 1962

Proposed Agenda

Meeting of the Executive Committee
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
September 20, 1962

10:00 A.M. EXECUTIVE SESSION
(Staff on Call)

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The meeting of the Executive Committee convened in the Conference Room ~~of the Southern Regional Council~~ at 10:00 a.m., Thursday, September 20, 1962, James M~~cBride~~ Dabbs presiding in the absence of John H. Wheeler.

Those present: ~~James M. Dabbs~~, ~~Dr.~~ Rufus ~~Clement~~, ~~Paul R. Christopher~~, ~~John A. Griffin~~, ~~Mrs. Grace Hamilton (afternoon)~~, ~~Rabbi Jacob Rothschild~~, Joseph ~~F. Haas~~, the ~~Rev. W. C. Brooke~~, H. Franklin Williams, and Miss Josephine Wilkins.

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Mrs Grace Hamilton was present during the afternoon session.

All members of the professional staff, with the exception of ~~except~~ Sterge Blackford ~~(all)~~ were present during the general session, with Mrs. Montez G. Albright (morning) and Mrs. Nobbie Morgan (afternoon) serving as recording secretaries.

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Mr. Dunbar reported on Marion Wright's trip and on the reasons for absence of other members. He then introduced new staff members Staige Blackford and Jack Minnis, as follows:

Blackford: from Baton Rouge, where he was assistant director of Louisiana University Press. He is a native of Charlottesville, Va., graduating from the University of Virginia. He is a Rhodes Scholar, has worked for the CIA, Time-Life, did editing and writing for encyclopedias in New York--Colliers and Grolier. He is descended from the Randolphs and Mason's of Virginia.

Jack Minnis: VEP research director. Has been doing a variety of things that do not necessarily pertain to research. He is from Tulane University, where he has completed his Doctorate (Political Science) except for the thesis, which he works on now as he has time. He is a native of Oklahoma, more recently of Louisiana where he was largely schooled.

Plans for Annual Meeting. Mr. Anthony reported that he had a number of things to bring before the committee as possibilities. 1) holding meeting at downtown hotel, the Peachtree Manor, which has done a fine job this year of accepting guests as people (including foreign visitors and baseball players). Their meeting room is accommodates 80 to 100 people, which makes it large enough for all meetings except the banquet. We could have members stay there, hold the meetings there, and make arrangements for the banquet elsewhere, perhaps Stauffers or Atlanta University. 2) We could have meetings and meals at the Biltmore, but so far we could not have all members stay there. There is some indication this may change after the first of the year. 2) We could plan to meet in Gatlinburg, Tenn. The last meeting out of the city was held at Williamsburg in 1956. It was very expensive because of so many people out of Atlanta, to be transported there and back. Some cost might be saved by hiring a bus. It would very likely cut into our attendance because it is not an easy place to get to. 3) We could meet at Atlanta University again if Dr. Clement could squeeze us in.

General discussion followed on the three alternatives. Miss Wilkins asked permission to contact the owner of the Biltmore regarding possibility of changing policies in time for this meeting. Dr. Clement favored using the Peachtree Manor for everything except the banquet. Mr. Christopher reported that although two hotels in Gatlinburg do accept all guests, the town itself is very hostile, to the point of refusing to sell toothpaste to a Negro delegate recently in a drug store. He added that unless some change of attitude and policy in the town could be arranged, he would recommend that a labor group cancel a meeting involving 700 delegates. Mr. Haas suggested the Progressive Club or the Mayfair Club as possibilities for the banquet, since they are both near the Peachtree Manor and have open policies.

Mr. Dabbs said that general concensus seemed to be that housing and meetings be at the Peachtree Manor unless Miss Wilkins reach some decision with the manager in regard to the Biltmore.

Proposed Grants-in-Aid Schedule, 1963. Paul Rilling ~~passed around copies of~~ the proposed grants to state councils on human relations, ~~xxxxxxxx~~ (attached), totaling $55,800 or $3,800 more than 1962. ~~He explained as follows:~~

Florida: footnote (*) explains the special arrangement with the Florida Council on Human Relations to hold $2,000 of the total amount of aid in matching funds to assist FCHR in employing new professional staff if and when they have raised $3,500 themselves and are prepared to employ a new professional director. He added that when state councils are without directors they receive only half of the funds approved until such time as they employ a full-time director. The $2,000 will be money not claimed by the Council this year because of loss of the staff director.

Houston: a suggested increase of $300 because this Council is an active, useful, large and growing organization which has done well. Mr. Rilling thought they should be encouraged by the additional grant.

Mississippi and New Orleans: Mississippi Council was organized last Spring and is under attack. Next week they will have a meeting with Hodding Carter III as speaker. New Orleans is newly organized; they have ready a board list and officers, according to Mr. Rilling's latest information which he hopes is true, and is going down next week to find out. He hoped that ~~which~~ both these groups have sufficient strength and organization to justify ~~xxxxxx~~ it, the staff ~~will~~ authorize release of funds.

The only other changes are in the ~~xxxxxxxxxxx~~ base points: raised in Arkansas because there are valid reasons for their poor showing financially; dropped in Florida because of their extreme difficulty in raising funds; raised $100 in Houston.

The third footnote provides an escape hatch in case the extra funds are not available. He noted that there is no sum for a discretionary fund unless some groups do not claim their funds, and that the total budget represents only a $1,800 increase since we are carrying over some funds from last year ($2,000).

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Miss Wilkins inquired if the executive committee was being asked to approve the grants without any relation to the remainder of the budget? Mr. Dunbar replied that if the committee approved the grants they would become part of the budget submitted in November

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Mr. Branton called attention to the schedule of grants from the various organizations and said that the Field Foundation is very likely to make another grant for the second year in the same amount or perhaps with an increase.

He explained that having got underway as of May 1st, it was necessary to plan an immediate crash program in seven states because the registration dates for the fall primaries had early cut-offs: Georgia, May 5th; S. C., May 12; Virginia, June. In some states it was possible to do only a little work in time for the Summer and Fall primaries. Registration efforts continued, however, for people qualified to vote in general elections in November and municipal elections.

Grants were made to five major agencies, to run through the entire period. ~~Because based in Atlanta, we were approached early for financial aid in Atlanta, where many agencies were participating.~~ The total amount of the grant to each agency and the geographical area in which the program was activated and the amount of the grant actually paid out was noted.

Sufficient reports are in to give us information as to the effectiveness and problems to be encountered. As noted, some reports are not in. The National Urban League program did not begin until somewhat later than the others and we have allowed them to plan a more orderly program to be conducted later in the Summer. We have now (since this report written) received reports on the W S program. The AFSC program in Jackson, Tenn. was housed at Lane College. Tartt Bell says we will have their report most any day. Ramsey, who was in charge of the program, has been traveling and has not turned in his report.

Davidson County program was handled jointly by the NAACP and the Davidson County Political Action Committee, and included four rural counties. Dr. Henderson has been away and is leaving Nashville. They appointed a new director who resigned after a short time. They have not appointed another director. They have been notified that if they are not prepared to see the project through, we ~~are calling for~~ will ask that the funds to be returned.

Mr. Branton was asked how the ~~number of registrants by the various groups was~~ registration results were determined. He and Mr. Minnis ~~explained the procedure and~~ said that only those ~~registrants who were~~ registered through ~~their efforts~~ were ~~to be~~ claimed, ~~by each agency. In most cases (one exception: Durham and Raleigh, Durham, re-registration) figures represent new Negro voters registered, and these may be incomplete since they represent only those that the agency knew about and some states no longer keep records by race~~. Mr. Minnis added that VEP believes there has been considerable indirect result from the registration drive which ~~they have~~ no way of counting, ~~they were more concerned with accuracy and with not claiming more than was actually produced~~. it has

The provided programs

The ~~placing~~ categorizing of Atlanta ~~in the~~ as an area "moderate resistance" ~~group~~ was questioned, and the explanation was that areas were grouped by an evaluation of the percentage of unregistered Negroes eligible to vote. Dr. Clement ~~said one explanation of Negro apathy to voting registration was that if a man hasn't been paying taxes for years, he hesitates to get his name on the voters list and be billed for taxes.~~ It was noted that the over-all resistance of any community to any kind of desegregation was a factor in registration; discrimination is a large factor but not the only one.

Mr. Branton said, in conclusion, that of the $64,000 appropriated for the various agencies, $41,149.79 had been expended with 27,839 new voters registered.

Mr. Haas inquired as to evaluation of different methods of approach used by the different groups. ~~and thought this might affect the results of the registration projects.~~ He ~~thought the present report represented a deductive exercise in logic, and~~ hoped that future reports would contain more information on ~~external~~ such factors as they have an effect on registration. ~~He thought it more important to emphasize the factors themselves rather than attempt to make evaluations by logic.~~ and are our research concern.

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mutual disagreement with Atlanta's Dunbar's statement & Labor's view not discussed.

Mr. Branton said that SNCC was giving more cooperation and providing more work than any other agency. He added that in some areas, such as Albany, Arkansas, and Missippi, weekly reports are requested. Mr. Minnis said that not only weekly quantitative reports are required, but monthly summary reports.

Mr. Branton then asked the group to turn to page 16 for the list of long range grants, where a total of $111,000 had been distributed according to the number of unregistered Negroes of voting age in proportion to the total number of Negroes unregistered. The formula used was to select a district or districts within each state since the entire state could not be covered.

Mr. Haas asked if all organizations used the same methods.

Mr. Branton ~~said each organization used different methods, but most used some of the same methods which had proven effective. He~~ then gave instances of the kinds of resistance ~~the students from SNCC~~ met with in Mississippi: harassment, intimidation, arrest, fines, ~~(Jackson and Clarkesdale)~~. He ~~added that FOCUS was one of the best organized of the voter groups. Continuing the recital of types of resistance, Mr. Branton~~ told of the Lake Providence, La., shooting of the Rev. Scott, ~~(leader of the registration effort). He added that he was hopeful the Justice Department would enter suit in Mississippi.~~ He told of the Mt. Beulah clinic and the part played by the Jackson Daily News and Mr. Braden's report. ~~He said that previously SRC and VEP had declined to transmit a grant from the Stern Family Foundation to this clinic because they did not entirely approve of the program there.~~ He said the Williams Chapel Church (used as meeting place by voter registration groups) had had its tax exemption cancelled, free water cut off, fire insurance cancelled. He continued with the account of the shooting of two girls in Sunflower County, ~~(Senator Eastland's home) and~~ said the Justice Department ~~would any day~~ file suit asking that prosecutions be enjoined and asking for return of bail. ~~This involves some $2,000 bail fund that VEP set up. (All money paid out in bail in Clarksdale, Miss. has been refunded.)~~ (over)

Dr. Clement wondered if it would be helpful to get a complete statement of the kinds of harassment and intimidation mentioned by Mr. Branton so that the statement could be presented on the floor of Congress and become a part of the Congressional Record. Mr. Branton said that when the suit was filed by the Justice Department it would have affidavits of such incidents attached and it will be a matter of record.

Mr. Dunbar said that these problems in Mississippi are very tough problems and have given us a lot of concern organizationally. There have been similar occurrances in North Louisiana. We had not been until recently connected with the registration work in SW Georgia. We are now. The Justice Department has been in very close touch with us, and a suit ~~will~~ be filed in Sunflower County. Day before yesterday we ~~had~~ in Washington a meeting which included representatives from the Justice Department. We became

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convinced of a need at this time for good discussion among people involved as to just what we were running into. Harold Fleming put Potomac Institute at our disposal, paid the travel of several people (who could not otherwise have come) and provided ~~us with~~ lunch. ~~Several~~ agencies were represented.

It was a very good meeting with a lot of plain talk addressed to the Justice Department. ~~I think the representative from the Justice Department went out of the meeting with some clear understanding of attitudes and feelings of people involved~~. There was also plain talk ~~between~~ representatives of the agencies ~~represented~~ and this cleared the air. ~~Our conclusions were that it is necessary to proceed vigorously and carefully.~~

Dr. Clement said that ~~before we adjourn for lunch he would like to say that~~ he thought we were very fortunate to have Mr. Branton with us as director of the VEP. ~~He added that he had noted in Life Magazine that Mr. Branton is regarded as one of the "Red Hot 100" young men who are taking over.~~

Mr. Dabbs said he was sure that we all agree with Dr. Clement.

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The meeting ~~was adjourned~~ recessed for lunch, ~~to convene at 1:30 p. m.~~ and reconvened at 2:00 P.M.

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~~The Meeting re-convened at 2:00 P. M.~~

Dr. Dunbar ~~announced that~~ introduced Mr. Reed Sarrat, Director of the Southern Education Reporting Service, ~~was sitting in on our meeting.~~

~~Dr. Dunbar~~ He also ~~announced that some of the staff, he felt, needed recognition for certain awards~~ called attention to honors received, ~~etc.~~ recently by certain staff members, Mr.

~~1. Wiley~~ Branton ~~of the VEP has taken over the situation, and of course we still feel that Fleming is still ours, he is doing a wonderful work at the Potomac Inst.~~ has been selected by Life Magazine as one of the "take over generation". Mrs.

~~2. Mrs. Tilly~~ Mrs. Tilly received a citation from ~~the~~ Wesleyan College, her Alma Mater, ~~while attending~~ of commencent exercises there in June. ~~This was an award of distinctive achievement.~~ Mrs.

~~3. Don~~ Mr. Muse will received the HOEY award from the Catholic International Council for his ~~great~~ work in the field of brotherhood and race relations. Mrs.

~~4. Nobbie~~ Mr. Morgan, his had a cross-burning in his yard. ~~(recent distinction?)~~

~~Dr. Dunbar hastened to make the following statements concerning the Discussion of the Council Programs, due to the fact that Mr. Haas had to leave early. There was a very brief discussion of: the SRC being involved very deeply with VEP; of Bob Hughes in Alabama and his difficulties, could~~ SRC could ~~possibly~~ do something to alert the bar ~~in this connection. (STATEMENT: The bar in the South has not accepted its responsibility as a servant of the court) Possibly the National Council of Churches would help in such cases as in the Satterfield case.~~ He proposed inviting on the SRC board to ~~Dr. Dunbar also stated that he felt that~~ lawyers, ~~SRC more or less, should~~ come together to consider the matter at the time of the Annual meeting, ~~and aid the non-racial incidents as well, gave brief instance of a Negro man having been arrested for a small xxxxx offense as traffic violation, but was made quite an issue in the courts, he feels that something just should be done about these things. He continued that Burke Marshall will be willing to come down here xxxxxx to one of the Annual Meetings to talk with the lawyers on the Civil Board.~~ The object of this meeting or rather what is hoped to result is:

1. Give xxxx serious thought to the case
2. Give thought to whether or not there is some thing that can be done and decide xxx which channels would be best pursued.

In addition to Burke Marshall, he has considered asking Garrison of N. Y. to also come down, and get the lawyers of the SRC Board to remain after the Annual meeting for a seminar, which he estimates would last approximately 2 hours. If they could only work out plans to accomplish only or no more than erring problems, it would be worth-while. Lawyers named were, Branton, Barrett, Haas, Looby, Nelson, Carslyle , Wheeler,

of the South to its responsibilities toward defendants in unpopular cases

Minutes continued from LWD corrections:

Mrs. Tilly reported on plans for the annual meeting of the Fellowship of the Concerned, to be held in Atlanta on October 30 & 31.

Mr. Rilling reported on the success of the initial work with Mr. Edward Randall and the Friendly World Broadcasting Station, in an effort to reach the rural South. Mr. Randall's radio series, "A Yankee in the Heart of Dixie," is now being carried by 49 stations in Alabama, four or more in Georgia, with the hope of reaching still others.

Mr. Dunbar reported that SRC had signed a contract with Viking Press to have an SRC sponsored book written by Mr. Benjamin Muse on the 10 year period since the Supreme Court's 1954 decision on public schools. Royalties will be waived on the first 6,000 copies of the book in the interest of placing a lower retail price on the book to gain greater circulation. Other projects being planned are (a) a study on tokenism to be sponsored jointly by SRC and the Anti-Defamation League, and (b) a study on race relations and law enforcement for the International City Managers Association, to be undertaken jointly with the Potomoc Institute.

In discussing the changing nature of the region, Mr. Dunbar proposed a study in some depth of SRC's program. He suggested that the staff give some time to this matter and prepare a preliminary report of recommendations by next spring, these recommendations to be submitted to a sub-committee of the Executive Committee. Thereafter a final report and recommendations could be brought before the full Executive Committee. It was moved, seconded and unanioumously adopted : That, a study of SRC's programs be instituted as outlined by the Director.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

Wright, McNeil Smith.

The committee unanimously agreed that the idea was splendid, and felt that a great deal could be accomplished. STATEMENT. Approach the American Bar Association in connection with setting up a section under civil rights.

STATEMENT. It was suggested that the group of lawyers get together, and among themselves suggest and recommend suggestions to follow through, first then get others to join in and give whatever help they will. LWD and Haas will co-sign letters accordingly.

LWD expressed his disappointment in not having the NS publication on hand to give to the committee, in view of the fact that it contained a book review of Mr. Dabbs, Civil War centennial, and 5 other board members.

LWD asked for comments on sub-organizations of the SRC, namely the Fellowship of the Concerned. Mrs. Tilly reported that her plans for the fall workshop is in process and seems to be taking shape toward a successful meeting. Her topic will be centered around our facing the crisis at hand, Harry Golden is to be with us, among other interesting people, which will include Rev. Elbert Jean, a newly appointed Rural Worker, working under the auspices of the National Council of Churches.

LEADERSHIP PROJECT-PR

Radio work of Ed. Randall (Quaker) Mr. Randall is producing program entitled "Yankee in the Heart of Dixie", has 49 stations in Alabama, 4 or 5 stations in Ga. Has very good material, educational and feature, has met with very little opposition. In his program he is approaching the race question, but this has not caused stations to withdraw their contract, only two stations have dropped out, but not because of racial questions. SRC made contribution of $2200 since March. He has gone to Miami, and hopes to broaden to Miss, and other southern states. Our continuing to give funds to this project depends largely on our budget.

Ben Muse will be away from the Council for approximately 2 years writing a book in connection with the 10th Anniversary of the Supreme Court's 1954 decision, book will be published by the Viking Press, foregoing royalties on the first 6000 copies in return for commitment to /// put a lower than usual price on the book -- interested in distribution more so than money.

ADL-SRC JOINT PROJECT - Publishing pamphlet on Tokenism - scheduled around March 63. Parish, Coles, Foster of Wisconsin, also Moreland responsible more-or-less for its contents in connection with SRC.

ICMA -- received letter to explore the possibilities of making a study dealing with race relations, as it is a problem for Administration, as it is a problem for Government - to draw references nationally, not specifically in the South, or rather on the South. Study will be jointly by

Potomac Inst, ICMA is to help gather info, and by SRC. Not a wide circulation but select. Scheduled for late fall, November or December.

Fellowship of Southern Churchmen Conference - Conference is planned for December, under the sponsorship of Herman Long, entitled"Ethical Demands of Intergration."

LWD asked the staff to take a long look at SRC's program, where are we going? and where we are now, consider other projects for SRC. This is to be done in view of the fact that the South continues to change. LWD next outlined procedure for the Staff:

1. The next few months, look over this program very carefully before next spring. Study program and progress.Evaluate program we have already and think about programs we should have.
2. Suggested a sub-committee and a sub-sub-committee? Probably appointed by Dabbs, Approximately by next March, staff would have study completed and submit to these two sub-committees for study and recommendations -- after their study and recommendations, we can then put the final before the Executive Committee.
   Unanimously agreed the idea was excellent. Dabbs motioned -- was seconded that these committees be authorized - motion carried by majority.

   The question was raised in connection with our involvement with the youth -- LWD stated that AFS had camps with good results - other members of our staff are working with youth -- Dabbs and Rilling are on an Advisory Committee Board _____?

(Paul I did not get this)

LWD announced that we now have our new research director -- with the aid of VEP we have gathered a lot of good information.

LWD attended and delivered an address at the union meeting at Gatlinburg. He did a wonderful job on the picture of the future South.

Mrs. Hamilton apologized for being late .

Meeting adjourned at 3:00 P. M.

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Dr. Clement said that the VEP should be very careful that when reports are made the research angle is emphasized so that tax exemption is not jeopardized. Mr. Branton then gave instances of the kinds of resistance met with in Mississippi: harassment, intimidation, arrest, fines. He told of the Lake Providence, La., shooting of the Rev. Scott. He told of the Mount Beulah clinic and the part played by the Jackson Daily News and Mr. Braden's report. He said the Williams Chapel Church (used as meeting place by voter registration groups) in Ruleville, Miss., had had its tax exemption cancelled, free water cut off, fire insurance cancelled. He continued with the account of the shooting of two girls in Sunflower County. He said the Justice Department was expected to file suit asking that prosecutions be enjoined and asking for return of bail.

Dr. Clement wondered it it would be helpful to get a complete statement of the kinds of harassment and intimidation mentioned by Mr. Branton so that the statement could be presented on the floor of Congress and become a part of the Congressional Record. Mr. Branton said that when the suit was filed by the Justice Department it would have affidavits of such incidents attached and it will be a matter of record.

Mr. Dunbar said that these problems in Mississippi and southwest Georgia are very tough problems and have given us a lot of concern organizationally. There have been similar occurrences in north Louisiana. We had not been until recently connected with the registration work in southwest Georgia. We are now. The Justice Department has been in very close touch with us, and a suit may be filed in Sunflower County. Day before yesterday we called in Washington a meeting which included a representative from the Justice Department. We became convinced of a need at this time for good discussion among people involved as to just what we were running into. Harold Fleming put Potomac Institute at our disposal, paid the travel of several people (who could not otherwise have come) and provided lunch. All agencies were represented.

It was a good meeting with a lot of plain talk addressed to the Justice Department. There was also plain talk among representatives of the agencies and this cleared the air.

Dr. Clement said that he thought we were very fortunate to have Mr. Branton with us as director of the VEP. Mr. Dabbs said he was sure that we all agree with Dr. Clement.

The meeting recessed for lunch, and reconvened at 2:00 p.m.

Mr. Dunbar introduced Mr. Reed Sarrat, Director of the Southern Education Reporting Service. He also called attention to honors received recently by certain staff members. Mr. Branton had been selected by Life Magazine as one of the "take over generation." Mrs. Tilly received a citation from Wesleyan College, her Alma Mater, at commencement exercises there in June. Mr. Muse will receive the Hoey Award from the Catholic Interracial Council for his work in the field of brotherhood and race relations. Mrs. Morgan has had a cross-burning in her yard.

Mr. Dunbar then raised and discussed the question of whether SRC could do something to alert the bar of the South to its responsibilities toward defendants in unpopular cases. He proposed inviting lawyers on the SRC board to come together to consider the matter at the time of the Annual Meeting. The Committee agreed with this suggestion.

Mrs. Tilly reported on plans for the annual meeting of the Fellowship of the Concerned, to be held in Atlanta on October 30-31.

Mr. Rilling reported on the success of the initial work with Mr. Edward Randall and the Friendly World Broadcasting Station, an effort to reach the rural South. Mr. Randall's radio series, "A Yankee in the Heart of Dixie," is now being carried by 49 stations in Alabama, four or more in Georgia, with the hope of reaching still others.

Mr. Dunbar reported that SRC had signed a contract with Viking Press to have an SRC sponsored book written by Mr. Benjamin Muse on the ten year period since the Supreme Court's 1954 decision on public schools. Royalties will be waived on the first 6,000 copies of the book in the interest of placing a lower retail price on the book to gain greater circulation. Other projects being planned are (a) a study on tokenism to be sponsored jointly by SRC and the Anti-Defamation League, and (b) a study on race relations and law enforcement for the International City Managers Association, to be undertaken jointly with the Potomac Institute.

In discussing the changing nature of the region, Mr. Dunbar proposed a study in some depth of SRC's program. He suggested that the staff give some time to this matter and prepare a preliminary report of recommendations by next Spring, these recommendations to be submitted to a sub-committee of the Executive Committee. Thereafter a final report and recommendations could be brought before the full Executive Committee. It was moved, seconded, and unanimously adopted: That, a study of SRC's programs be instituted as outlined by the Director.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
Southern Regional Council
Atlanta, Georgia

November 19, 1962

The meeting of the Executive Committee convened at the Peachtree Manor Hotel at 10:00 a. m., Monday, November 19, 1962, with the Chairman, John H. Wheeler, presiding.

Those present were: the Rev. Carroll Brooke, Paul Christopher, James M. Dabbs, A. W. Dent, Joseph Haas, Rabbi Jacob Rothschild, John H. Wheeler, Miss Josephine Wilkins, Franklin Williams, M. A. Wright, S. J. Wright, and, for part of the meeting, Mrs. Grace Hamilton.

Staff members present were: Mrs. Ruth H. Alexander, Paul Anthony, Leslie W. Dunbar, and Mrs. Montez Albright, who served as recording secretary.

Following the invocation, the agenda was approved and adopted (copy attached).

The minutes of the last meeting were approved and adopted. The "Resolution on SRC's Charter and Tax Exemption" was read as required.

Proposed Budgets, 1963

The proposed budget and the financial report for the first 10 months of 1962 were combined and presented by Mr. Anthony and Mrs. Alexander (copy attached).

There were questions and discussion regarding the expense to SRC for the Voter Education Project and a general expression of opinion that 15% of the project administrative cost was not sufficient overhead for general operations.

Regarding the overhead charged for projects a resolution was proposed and approved by general consensus: That the staff maintain observation of actual expenses incurred with projects, especially in the case of VEP, so a realistic appraisal of the actual expenses and, if needed, a revision of overhead charged could be made.

Regarding the Fellowship of the Concerned, there were questions and discussion of budget and program. Suggestions were made as to obtaining grants for this program from church organizations.

Sources for additional grants were suggested for the Research in Student Adjustment project undertaken by Dr. Robert Coles, as follows: 1) some tie-in with a current program at Emory University; 2) the program in the National Institute of Mental Health which makes grants enabling universities to sponsor this kind of research; 3) the Kennedy Foundation.

It was moved, seconded and unanimously adopted: That the proposed budget be approved for submission to the Annual Meeting on the following conditions: 1) that the Executive Committee review the budget periodically and take such steps as may appear to be necessary to keep program operations within the funds available, and 2) that the Grant-in-Aid schedule not be reduced below the budgeted amount, as explained in the approved schedule of grants for 1963.

Committee to Recommend President

Mr. Dabbs made a statement to the group regarding his tenure as President and his wish that consideration be given to electing a new President next year.

It was moved, seconded and unanimously adopted: That the Chairman of the Executive Committee appoint a committee of three from the Executive Committee to submit to the Nominating Committee its recommendations for the office of President.

Mr. Wheeler thereupon appointed the following committee, to act only in an advisory capacity to the Nominating Committee: Marion A. Wright, chairman, with Miss Josephine Wilkins and Dr. Stephen J. Wright.

Fellows

Mr. Dunbar proposed the activating of an unused provision in the By-Laws which provides for the naming of "Fellows" to the Southern Regional Council (Article III). He suggested that a special category of "Life Fellows" be created for honoring Southerners (in many cases former members of SRC). General discussion followed.

It was moved, seconded, and unanimously adopted: That the Executive Committee recommend to the Council the establishment of a designation of Life Fellows, as allowed by Article III of the By-Laws, said Fellows to be invited to Annual Meetings of the Council and to participate without vote in program discussions of the Council; that the Committee recommend as those to be named in 1962 Mrs. Jessie Daniel Ames, Mr. Leonard Haas, Dr. Gordon Hancock, Bishop LaFayette M. Harris, and Dr. A. E. McDowell.

It was moved, seconded and unanimously adopted: That the staff report on any change in the By-Laws that may be necessary for classification of Fellows.

It was moved, seconded, and unanimously adopted: That the Committee recommend to the full Council the confirmation of the Executive Director and the Secretary-Treasurer, with deep appreciation of services and leadership rendered.

After discussion initiated by Mr. Dunbar, it was agreed that the Personnel Committee draft and submit to the Executive Committee at its next meeting a policy statement on participation of SRC staff members on an individual basis in demonstrations which involve their personal convictions. No final action was taken and no policy was set at this time.

The Executive Committee adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

Exec Comm.
1962

November 29, 1962

Mr. John H. Wheeler
President
Mechanics & Farmers Bank
Durham, N. C.

Dear John:

I am enclosing a copy of the letter which you sent out last year to the retiring Executive Committee members. If it is satisfactory with you, we shall use the same letter this year, and send it out over your signature to the Rev. Carroll Brooke, Rabbi Rothschild, and Father Sigur.

Because of the peculiar circumstances of this year's change, I would suggest the insertion, after the second paragraph of the letter, of a new paragraph to read as follows:

> As I understand it, this year's Nominating Committee decided to act on a matter which has concerned previous Nominating Committees; namely, the long-standing practice of having a pastoral representative of each faith on the Executive Committee. The Nominating Committee thought this principle should be ended and consequently proposed a replacement of all three clergymen who had been on the Executive Committee with lay people. Whether or not this is sound, I did wish to bring it to your attention in order that you may fully realize that the action had no reference to you personally. Mr. Dunbar informs me that this year's Nominating Committee instructed him to advise its successor that it had no feeling at all against clergymen on the Executive Committee and, indeed, hoped that

in future years they would be elected; this year's Nominating Committee was concerned simply with a question of principle.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

LWD:A

Enclosure

Leslie W. Dunbar

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November 24, 1961

The Reverend Duncan Hunter
District Superintendent
Methodist Church
1009 Westmoreland Avenue
Huntsville, Alabama

Dear Reverend Hunter:

For the past several years, we have been pleased to have the privilege of serving with you on the Executive Committee of the Southern Regional Council. I am sure that I speak for all your colleagues on the Committee when I express gratitude and appreciation for your counsel and interest.

Although the policy of the Council has been to rotate membership on the Executive Committee, the disadvantage, of course, is that while gaining the insight and vigor of new persons, we lose, for at least a while, the services of tried and true members of the Committee. We are particularly mindful of this latter fact now because at the Annual Meeting you and Mr. L. D. Milton were replaced on the Committee by Mr. Franklin Williams of Miami and Mr. Stephen Wright of Nashville.

The Executive Committee and the entire Council wish me to thank you for your valuable services and for your continued interest in the Council.

With best wishes.

Sincerely yours,

John H. Wheeler, Chairman
Executive Committee

JHW/p
cc: Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar

Mechanics and Farmers Bank
Durham, North Carolina

JOHN H. WHEELER
PRESIDENT

November 30, 1962

Dear Les:

The suggestions in your letter of November 29 are entirely satisfactory to me. I hope that I am not assuming too much in thinking that you will get the letters out in your office and send them to me for signing and transmittal.

Sincerely,

John

J. H. Wheeler

JHW/p

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar, Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

December 3, 1962

The Rev. W. Carroll Brooke
Box 4211
Roanoke, Virginia

Dear Carroll:

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As I understand it, this year's Nominating Committee decided to act on a matter which has concerned previous Nominating Committees: namely, the long-standing practice of having a pastoral representative of each faith on the Executive Committee. The Nominating Committee thought this principle should be ended and consequently proposed a replacement of all three clergymen who had been on the Executive Committee with lay people. Whether or not this is sound, I did wish to bring it to your attention in order

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With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

JHW:A
CC: Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar

John H. Wheeler, chairman
Executive Committee

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December 3, 1962

Rabbi Jacob M. Rothschild
1589 Peachtree Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Rabbi Rothschild:

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The Executive Committee and the entire Council wish me to thank you for your valuable services and for your continued interest in the Council.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

JHW:A
CC: Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar

John H. Wheeler, chairman
Executive Committee

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December 3, 1962

The Rt. Rev. Msgr. A. O. Sigur
U.S.L. Station, P. O. Box 532
LaFayette, Louisiana

Dear Father Sigur:

For the past several years, we have been pleased to have the privilege of serving with you on the Executive Committee of the Southern Regional Council. I am sure that I speak for all your colleagues on the Committee when I express gratitude and appreciation for your counsel and interest.

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With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

JHW:A
CC: Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar

John H. Wheeler, Chairman
Executive Committee

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Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 FORSYTH STREET, N. W. ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA
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LESLIE W. DUNBAR,
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

A Council to attain the ideals and practices of equal opportunity for all peoples in the South

December 11, 1962

MEMO TO MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

FROM: Paul Anthony

Enclosed is a proposed resolution which will allow Mrs. Albright to sign checks when I change desks and become Director of Field Activities. Apart from the inconvenience of being away from the office a great deal, it would be inappropriate for me to continue signing checks once I become a budget item instead of a budget watcher.

If you approve the resolution would you please sign the enclosed copy and return it in the envelope provided.

Best wishes.

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

RESOLVED, that the Executive Committee of the Southern Regional Council, Inc., being the competent body under the By-Laws of the Council, by this instrument empowers Mrs. Montez Albright to serve as Acting Administrative Assistant from January 2, 1963, until such time as an Executive Assistant is employed by the Executive Committee of the Council. In this capacity she is authorized, as is the Executive Director, Mr. Dunbar, to co-sign checks on the Council's accounts co-signed by the Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. Alexander.

This resolution adopted by action of the Executive Committee via mail ballot, completed December _____, 1962.

_____	_____
Date of signing	Signature of Executive Committee Member

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC

Operating Budgets and Income Forecast - 1962
(Proposed)

SYNOPSIS

Budgeted:		
General Operations	$175,395.00	
Special Projects	112,500.00	
Total		$287,895.00
Income Forecast:		
General Operations (committed)	$ 66,000.00	
Special Projects (expectable)	105,500.00	
Total		$171,500.00
Balance to be Raised:		
General Operations	$109,395.00	
Special Projects	7,000.00	
Total		$116,395.00

P.2 - Proposed Budget, General Operations

P.3 - Projected Income, General Operations

P.4 - Proposed Budget, Special Projects

Projected Income, Special Projects

PROPOSED MINIMUM BUDGETS - 1962

General Operations		Budgeted, 1961
Salaries	$105,495.00	($92,200.00)
Social Security Taxes	2,400.00	(1,900.00)
Travel	9,500.00	(9,500.00)
Telephone & Telegraph	4,500.00	(4,250.00)
Executive Committee and Annual Meetings	5,200.00	(4,000.00)
Consultant Fees & Travel	4,500.00	(2,000.00)
Books & Subscriptions	1,800.00	(1,925.00)
Office Supplies & Equipment	5,500.00	(5,500.00)
New South, Printing and Postage	9.500.00	(9,000.00)
Postage, General	1,700.00	(1,700.00)
Printing	11,500.00	(10,500.00)
Rent	7,200.00	(7,200.00)
Accounting	600.00	(500.00)
Insurance, General & Staff Benefits	5,000.00	(1,600.00)
Miscellaneous	1,000.00	(1,000.00)
Total General Operations	$175,395.00	($152,975.00)

Proposed Minimum Operating Budget - 1962		$175,395.00
Projected Income: (General Operations)		
Committed:		
Field Foundation	$25,000.00	
Taconic Foundation	25,000.00	
M. Ascoli Fund	1,000.00	
A. Levy Fund	1,000.00	$52,000.00
Office Related:		
Individual Contributions New South Subscriptions Interest, Income, etc.	9.000.00	
Churches	3,000.00	
Organizations	2,000.00	14,000.00
Total, Projected Income		$66,000.00
Balance to be raised	$109,395.00	

Special Projects

Southern Leadership Project	$40,000.00	
Grants-in-Aid, State Councils on Human Relations	50,000.00	
Supplementary Aid*	2,000.00	
Fellowship of the Concerned	5,000.00	
Special Fund for Educational Projects (estimated)	7,500.00	
Southern History Project (estimated)	3,000.00	
Research in Pupil Adjustment (estimated)	5,000.00	
Total, Special Projects		$112,500.00

Projected Income (Special Projects)

Southern Leadership Project Rockefeller Brothers Fund	$40,000.00	
Grants-in-Aid, State Councils Taconic Foundation $25,000 Field Foundation 25,000	50,000.00	
Fellowship of the Concerned	-0-	
Special Fund for Educational Projects New World Foundation	7,500.00	
Southern History Project Field Foundation	3,000.00	
Research in Pupil Adjustment New World Foundation	5,000.00	
Total Projected Income		$105,500.00
Balance to be raised	$7,000.00	

*Contingent on funds available

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FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Accountant's Certificate

We have examined the financial statement of the Southern Regional Council, Inc. for the period January 1, 1962 to December 31, 1962. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion the accompanying statements taken from the full audit present fairly the financial position of the Southern Regional Council, Inc., at December 31, 1962, and the results of its operation for the period then ended.

Daniel E. Harrison

Daniel E. Harrison
Registered Public Accountant

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSES - GENERAL OPERATIONS
January 1, 1962 to December 31, 1962

INCOME

Contributions:		
Foundations	$ 149,924.30	
Labor & Other Organizations	1,300.00	
Churches	4,025.00	
Individuals	1,728.63	$ 156,977.93
Interest Income	2,024.00	
Dividends on Trust Fund	2,669.90	
NEW SOUTH Subscriptions	5,079.02	
Sale of Literature	841.72	
Overhead from project grants	11,269.18	21,883.82
Total Income		$ 178,861.75

EXPENSES

Salaries	$ 101,328.56	
Social Security Taxes	2,796.58	
Travel	10,506.84	
Telephone and Telegraph	4,977.01	
Consultant Fees	3,632.24	
Executive Committee & Annual Meetings	6,690.93	
Books and Subscriptions	2,756.72	
Office Supplies	3,535.52	
NEW SOUTH Postage	1,606.09	
NEW SOUTH Printing	5,453.21	
NEW SOUTH Authors' Fees	255.00	
Postage	1,879.24	
Printing	11,009.96	
Rent	7,200.00	
Accounting	635.00	
Georgia Sales Tax	73.59	
Miscellaneous	1,372.74	
Reinvestment in Trust Fund	2,669.90	
Group Hospitalization Insurance	991.73	
Group Term Life Insurance	662.95	
Liability Insurance	314.99	
Retirement Insurance	2,614.35	
Foreign Visitors' Expense	886.64	
Moving Expense	406.68	
Total Expenses		174,256.47
Excess of Income over Expenses		$ 4,605.28

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

BALANCE SHEET
December 31, 1962

ASSETS

Funds toward future obligations, 1963-64:			
Cash in Bank, Citizens Trust Company - Checking		$ 57,779.30	
Cash in Bank, Citizens Trust Company - Savings		42,024.00	
Cash in Bank, First National Bank - Checking		18,701.10	
Investment in Trust Fund, Trust Company of Georgia	$ 63,232.00		
Income reinvested	2,669.90	65,901.90	
Investment in Federal Intermediate Credit Bank 3.10% Debentures due 3/4/63		40,000.00	$224,406.30
Inventory, Pamphlets		$ 1,500.00	
Office Equipment		13,766.49	
Accounts Receivable - Sale of Stock		1,924.30	17,190.79
Total Assets			$241,597.09

LIABILITIES

Due to Special Projects, 1963-64:		
Voter Education Project	$ 18,013.85	
Registration and Voting Survey	1,552.91	
Trust for Burned Churches	5,000.00	
Southern Leadership Project	40,398.31	
Special Fund for Educational Projects	4,687.42	
New Orleans Project	813.59	
Research in Student Adjustment	3,228.02	
Consultant Service Program	526.34	$ 74,220.44
Special Grants-in-Aid to State Councils on Human Relations - 1963	$ 38,493.67	
Advance Appropriations, General Operations - 1963-64	28,472.72	
Reserve Fund	65,901.90	
Obligations Outstanding	5,429.91	138,298.20
Total Liabilities		$212,518.64
Excess of Assets over Liabilities		29,078.45
Total		$241,597.09

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS - SPECIAL PROJECTS
January 1, 1962 to December 31, 1962

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

RECEIPTS

Field Foundation, Inc.	$ 75,000.00	
Taconic Foundation, Inc.	60,000.00	
Edgar Stern Family Fund	62,000.00	
Organizations and Churches	2,524.46	
United Church Board for Homeland Ministries	1,000.00	
Individuals	125.00	
Total Receipts		$200,649.46

DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries	$ 21,939.08	
Social Security Taxes	466.47	
Travel	6,748.36	
Telephone and Telegraph	1,744.25	
Consultant Fees	2,083.98	
Grants for Voter Registration Program	133,437.60	
Rent	1,610.00	
Overhead	7,269.18	
Moving Expenses	1,385.05	
Office Equipment	2,962.52	
Office Supplies	443.30	
General Insurance	152.49	
Hospitalization Insurance	163.50	
Miscellaneous Expense	84.83	
Printing	523.92	
Postage	120.62	
Revolving Bail Fund	600.00	
Office Renovation	213.21	
Total Disbursements		181,948.36
Balance, December 31, 1962		$ 18,701.10

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS - SPECIAL PROJECTS
January 1, 1962 to December 31, 1962

SOUTHERN LEADERSHIP PROJECT

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1962		$36,990.61
Rockefeller Brothers Fund		40,000.00
Total Receipts		$76,990.61

DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries	$ 8,568.84	
Travel and Communication	3,020.86	
Office Expense	1,159.45	
Printing and Distribution	3,564.85	
Consultants' Fees	4,785.00	
Consultants' Travel	2,948.10	
Overhead	4,000.00	
Southern Project	2,500.00	
Fee for Tapes on Alabama, etc. Ed Randall	5,800.00	
Total Disbursements		36,347.10
Balance, December 31, 1961		$40,643.51

SPECIAL FUND FOR EDUCATIONAL PROJECTS

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1962		$ 8,057.08

DISBURSEMENTS

Work in Mississippi	$ 239.66	
New Orleans Community Relations Council	360.00	
Florida State University	600.00	
Atlanta University	170.00	
Alabama Council on Human Relations	2,000.00	
Total Disbursements		3,369.66
Balance, December 31, 1961		$ 4,687.42

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS - SPECIAL PROJECTS
January 1, 1962 to December 31, 1962

FELLOWSHIP OF THE CONCERNED

RECEIPTS

Woman's Baptist Home and Foreign Missionary Convention of North Carolina	$ 25.00	
Woman's Society of Christian Service Southeastern Jurisdiction, Alabama	250.00	
Mrs. F. R. Muhleman, Tennessee	50.00	
Miscellaneous Income	417.94	$ 742.94
Southern Regional Council - To Cover Deficits for:		
Year 1961	$ 6,185.40	
Year 1962	3,341.88	9,527.28
Total Receipts		$10,270.22

DISBURSEMENTS

Travel	$ 3,982.91	
Materials	101.91	
Total Disbursements		$ 4,084.82
Balance, January 1, 1962 (1961 Deficit)		6,185.40
Total		$10,270.22

REGISTRATION AND VOTING SURVEY

Balance, January 1, 1962 and December 31, 1962	$ 1,552.91

EXHIBIT E

TRUST FOR BURNED CHURCHES

RECEIPTS

United Church Board for Homeland Ministries	$ 5,000.00
Balance, December 31, 1962	$ 5,000.00

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS - SPECIAL PROJECTS
January 1, 1962 to December 31, 1962

NEW ORLEANS PROJECT

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1962		$ 2,169.07

DISBURSEMENTS

Printing, Promotion, Mailing, etc.	$ 575.00	
Edgar Stern Family Fund	780.48	
Total Disbursements		1,355.48
Balance, December 31, 1962		$ 813.59

RESEARCH IN STUDENT ADJUSTMENT

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1962		$ 3,733.24
General Education Board		10,625.00
Total Receipts		$14,358.24

DISBURSEMENTS

Consultants' Fees	$ 7,250.00	
Travel and Communication	2,645.03	
Revolving Fund for Research Materials	966.91	
Total Disbursements		10,861.94
Balance, December 31, 1962		$ 3,496.30

SPECIAL GRANT FOR RESEARCH

RECEIPTS

The Aaron E. Norman Fund, Inc.	$ 1,000.00

DISBURSEMENTS

Consultant Fee	$ 1,000.00

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
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STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS - SPECIAL PROJECTS
January 1, 1962 to December 31, 1962

SOUTHERN HISTORY PROJECT

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1962	$ 2,800.00

DISBURSEMENTS

Research Grant	$ 2,800.00

CONSULTANT SERVICE PROGRAM

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1962	$ 1,691.52

DISBURSEMENTS

Consultants' Fees	$ 880.00	
Travel and Communication	285.18	
Total Disbursements		1,165.18
Balance, December 31, 1962		$ 526.34

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
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SCHEDULE OF CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED - GENERAL OPERATIONS
January 1, 1962 to December 31, 1962

CONTRIBUTIONS

Foundations:		
Taconic Foundation, Inc.	$ 35,000.00	
The Rockefeller Foundation	50,000.00	
New World Foundation	25,000.00	
Aaron E. Norman Fund	5,000.00	
The Field Foundation	25,000.00	
New York Foundation	3,750.00	
Ottinger Foundation, Inc.	1,000.00	
Hopkins Charitable Fund	1,000.00	
Marion R. Ascoli Fund	1,000.00	
Adele R. Levy Fund	1,000.00	
San Francisco Foundation	250.00	
Total		$ 148,000.00
Churches:		
The Protestant Episcopal Church in U.S.A.	$ 1,000.00	
Woman's Division of Christian Service, The Methodist Church	1,200.00	
Division of National Missions of the Board of Missions of the Methodist Church	1,000.00	
Board of National Missions, United Presbyterian Church, U.S.A.	250.00	
Board of Christian Education, Presbyterian Church in the U.S.	250.00	
Board of Education of the Methodist Church	300.00	
Woman's Society of Christian Service, North Carolina Conference	25.00	
Total		$ 4,025.00
Labor and Other Organizations:		
Textile Workers Union of America	$ 200.00	
International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union	500.00	
Industrial Union Department, AFL-CIO	500.00	
Mechanics & Farmers Bank	100.00	
Total		$ 1,300.00

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PR - please note & return V

Return to LWD -

LWD:

Must comment on attached memo from PR re board members. Each time that I begin to weaken on PR's position on this matter - which has merit - he comes up with a statement of the absolute which causes me to back off and disturbs me with its lack of understanding of all of the factors involved.

Of particular interest: (1) the matter of reelecting members and board rotation is essentially a policy matter and while the staff can and should have interest in this area we must understand that past policy - after considerable deliberation - has been based on the merits of maintaining a great many members because of the alternative position of the strengths of this policy. Two years ago the board made it manditory that five or(20% of those under consideration) new members must be elected each year. This was the number and percentage chosen after considerable thought on the part of all concerned (including staff) and should not be taken lightly. Basically, however, whether or not we have tended to reelect too freely, it is a policy matter.

(2) The members of the Council have always been selected from the established community. To follow the highly questionable policy of seeking the "new Negro" beyond a reasonable degree might rather quickly lead to more difficulties than those of having"too many college presidents." One of our weaknesses in the past with white and Negro board members is that we have too many "good guys" who did good work in their local communities but otherwise did not meet the best of requirements for Council membership. Whatever its makeup, the Council's established members have been an invaluable asset in the past years. It has become the image of the Council and that image is positive. We need to strengthen that image, not tamper with the successful formula.

(3) PR's suggestions for specific members to be dropped is particularly distressing. It shows - I believe - the exclusion of a number of important considerations for the sake of "rotation." In one instance a member should be dropped for inactivity, in another a member should be given a rest because he has worked too hard.

Doggett: may be reasons why he should be dropped, but not because "he has served quite a while." So have Dabbs, Wright, et al.

Duncan: also may be reasons to drop him - but not because we have an oversupply of college presidents.

Gaston: was chosen initially - less than two years ago - because of the lack of businessmen and Negroes on the board from Alabama. Until oriented over a period of several years and then asked to help, overactivity is a greater danger than inactivity.

Hamilton: no comment

Harris: no comment, though he now resides in Atlanta, has been quite active over a period of years, and is held in high regard by some members of the staff.

Hunter: needed white deep South minister, experienced member of the executive committee and has long served on that committee in an effort to bring that particular view and judgment to the committee. We have long had the arrangement with Hunter that he would let us know if and when pressures were too great. They may now be, but this should be checked carefully.

Griffin: incredible and disturbing suggestion. The idea that a man has worked hard and deserves a rest could play havoc with any organization but in our case one would assume that Gaston (above) might be reconsidered anyway since he obviously hasn't served long and doesn't need a rest. Griffin represents years of experience with the Council and is one of its valued Executive Committee members. Whatever the need for new blood, the need for experience on our Committee is greater.

Of PR's three suggestions for membership one is excellent. Kelly Smith is an established individual, certainly a representative of the "new Negro" and the current (successful) movements, is already a regional as well as local influence, and seems to be destined to greater responsibility and influence. Perfect suggestion. The other two: nice local guys without (so far as I know) significant experience or influence outside their local communities. Wood may yet fit the bill, but certainly it will do no harm to let the situation become somewhat more obvious - as with Smith. Scull incidentally - I'm on the fence about. See no great virtue or harm in it.

Finally, and most important, the essence of SRC is that it is a group of Southerners brought from all professions and areas. This group is concerned with bringing to Southern race relations the symbol of the enlightened (and responsible) Southerner - and the approaches and considerations of a variety of persons. The criteria of the specialized actionist does not fit particularly well into this. That function belongs in the interagency meetings.

Whatever we've done wrong - it has worked!

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ROOM 432, 63 AUBURN AVENUE, N.E. ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA

GEORGE S. MITCHELL,
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

A Council to attain, through research and action, the ideals and practices of equal opportunity for all peoples in the South.

INTEROFFICE MEMO

Date June 23, 1961

To: LWD From: PR

Subject: Board of Directors

I am sending on some preliminary thoughts on the board election. My general theory on these matters is that rotation should be the normal practice and that board members should be retired at the termination of their terms except in those exceptional cases where their talents or names have been of particular value. I believe we have tended to in the past to reelect board members as a general practice and to an unfortunate degree.

I would suggest that the following members of the CLass of 1961 not be reelected: Doggett- has served quite a while; Duncan - we have an oversupply of Negro college presidents; Gaston - to my knowledge has showed no interest or activity; Griffin - long time member, deserves a rest; Hamilton - obvious reasons; Harris - considered very conservative by our Arkansas contacts, has not been active; Kimball - rotation policy; Hunter - has served loyally, been long suffering, is under pressure in Alabama
If any of the above have not served a full term, I would think they might well be reelected for one full term.

I will probably have other suggestions for new members, but let me pass on these for now: among the newer Negro leadership, I would suggest three:
1. The Rev. Kelly Miller Smith, member of the SCLC board, has played major role in Nashville settlements, seems responsible and sound.
2. Rev. Joseph Lowry, Mobile - longtime effective leader of Mobile Negro community & SCLC VP; intelligent, courageous, and responsible.
3. The Rev. Virgil Wood, Lynchburg, Va. Chairman of Lynchburg Improvement Association, former chairman of the Lynchburg Council on HR; former chairman Lynchburg chapter NAACP branch.

It is my belief that these persons, although oriented to more militant groups within the Negro community, are fairly balanced in their grasp of the total problem and would fit in with our board and our way of working. Smith and Lowry are both older men whose

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Subject: Board - page 2

leadership predates the rise of these newer groups. I have known Lowry for some 10 years and have a high regard for him. Wood might be slightly more of an actionist and is a younger man, but I feel we need more contact with this type of leadership.

I would strongly urge that David Scull of Annandale, Va. be added to our board. Although a business man, Dave works virtually half time for good causes, is chairman of the board of Community Developers, is on the International Quaker Committee dealing with race relations. He is a founder of the Fairfax County Council on Human Relations and extremely active in the Virgin ia Council. He is on the board of Nationwide Insurance Co. He is well connected in the Washington area and is nationally known in this field. Dave has always been strongly interested in SRC and in the old days when we had annual membership meetings, he was a regular participant. I worked closely with him in Virginia, and feel he would be a real asset to our board.

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CABLE ADDRESS LINELPI

October 9, 1961

Mr. Paul M. Rilling
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsythe Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Paul:

I apologize for not answering your letter of October 3 earlier. For the last eight days, I have been in Mexico City, which furnishes me a tremendous excuse for the delay. Incidentally, that's a wonderful part of the hemisphere. The vitality and determination with which Mexican businessmen are going about the job of improving their economy is something to behold. They have a great deal of confidence in their ability, and as a result are making a tremendous contribution to the welfare of this continent.

I deeply and sincerely appreciate the opportunity of serving on the Board of the Southern Regional Council in the event I am elected at your next annual meeting.

With kindest personal regards, I remain,

Sincerely,

Jack.

John P. Nelson, Jr.

JPNjr/mrp

TOUGALOO SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN COLLEGE
TOUGALOO, MISSISSIPPI

OFFICE OF
THE PRESIDENT

December 12, 1961

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Dunbar:

I am happy to accept the invitation extended to me in your letter of November 22 to membership on the Southern Regional Council.

I am somewhat familiar with the work of the Southern Regional Council and I shall be glad to cooperate in promoting its aims and purposes.

Cordially yours,

A. D. Beittel
President

ADB:eh

MEMBER UNITED NEGRO COLLEGE FUND FOUNDED 1944

First Baptist Church
319 EIGHTH AVENUE, NORTH
NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

KELLY MILLER SMITH
MINISTER

PHONE AL 5-8757

December 14, 1961

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar, Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Dunbar:

First, I must apologize for this delay in replying to your letter of November 22. I might explain, however, that immediately after your letter came I had before me the invitation to accept a pulpit out of the South. I thought it wise to delay my response to your kind invitation to accept membership on the Southern Regional Council until this question was resolved.

Now, I am happy to say that I shall be pleased to serve in whatever manner possible. I appreciate the informative material included with your letter.

Yours sincerely,

Kelly Miller Smith

Kelly Miller Smith

KMS:jmo

PR-Bg
PA

DAVID H. SCULL

ANNANDALE, VIRGINIA

December 20, 1961

Leslie W. Dunbar
Southern Regional Council Inc.
5 Forsyth St NW
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Leslie Dunbar:

I am sorry to be late in answering your November 22 letter. I have just returned from a study of cooperatives in India.

It is an honor to be asked to join the Southern Regional Council and I am glad to accept. I hope I can serve usefully.

Please let me know if there is anything I should know or do before the next annual meeting which I suppose will be next November.

Sincerely

David H. Scull

If you are in Washington or Northern Virginia again please try to let me know so that we can get acquainted.

DRAFT OF WELCOMING LETTER

Dear Mr.

It is with great pleasure that I welcome you to membership in the Southern Regional Council. I trust you will find, as I have, this association to be an enriching and rewarding one.

We shall look forward to having the benefit of your counsel.

Insert Secret Brewer

With all good wishes.

Sincerely yours,

James M. Dabbs
President

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J. M. D.

Smith
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Secret
Brewer

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January 3, 1962

Dr. A. D. Beittel, President
Tougaloo Christian College
Tougaloo, Mississippi

Dear Dr. Beittel:

It is with great pleasure that I welcome you to membership in the Southern Regional Council. I trust you will find, as I have, this association to be an enriching and rewarding one.

We shall look forward to having the benefit of your counsel.

With all good wishes.

Sincerely yours,

James M. Dabbs
President

JMD;mbb

January 3, 1962

Mr. Andrew M. Secrest, Editor
Cheraw Chronicle
Cheraw, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Secrest:

It is with great pleasure that I welcome you to membership in the Southern Regional Council. I trust you will find, as I have, this association to be an enriching and rewarding one.

We shall look forward to having the benefit of your counsel.

Leslie Dunbar has asked that I express his appreciation for your remarks about "The Annealing of the South".

With all good wishes,

Sincerely yours,

James M. Dabbs
President

JMD:mbb

January 3, 1962

The Rev. Kelly M. Smith
318 Eighth Avenue, North
Nashville, Tennessee

Dear Mr. Smith:

It is with great pleasure that I welcome you to membership in the Southern Regional Council. I trust you will find, as I have, this association to be an enriching and rewarding one.

We shall look forward to having the benefit of your counsel.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely yours,

James M. Dabbs
President

JMD:mbb

January 3, 1962

Mr. David Scull, President
Turnpike Press
Annandale, Virginia

Dear Mr. Scull:

It is with great pleasure that I welcome you to membership in the Southern Regional Council. I trust you will find, as I have, this association to be an enriching and rewarding one.

We shall look forward to having the benefit of your counsel.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely yours,

James M. Dabbs
President

JMD:mbb

January 3, 1962

Mrs. Joe Robinson Brewer
Box 314, Route 1
Scott, Arkansas

Dear Mrs. Brewer:

It is with great pleasure that I welcome you to membership in the Southern Regional Council. I trust you will find, as I have, this association to be an enriching and rewarding one.

We shall look forward to having the benefit of your counsel.

The material you requested in your letter of acceptance to Leslie Dunbar is being sent under separate cover.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely yours,

James M. Dabbs
President

JMD:mbb

PA
LD

MRS. JOE ROBINSON BREWER
BOX 314 ROUTE 1
SCOTT, ARKANSAS

December 7, 1961

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Dunbar:

Thank you so very much for your letter of November 22, and for the enclosures. I offer apologies that I have not answered more promptly, but you will understand that we were absorbingly busy in preparation for and on the day of our school board election, December 5. I'm glad to say all the work paid off, for I felt strongly that the defeat of Ted Lamb would have been a step backward, and a disheartteningly long step. Although I can not agree in entirety with the enclosed editorial, I do feel that Ted's re-election is a victory.

I feel that it is a significant honor to be invited to be a member of the Southern Regional Council, and I accept gratefully, looking forward to the association with you and all of the Council.

Since you are kind enough to offer further information, I am wondering if you could send me ten copies of The Southern Regional Council Its Origin and Aims. I have friends in various sections of the U.S.A. to whom I'd like to send this, and I'll gladly pay for these documents and the postage.

MRS. JOE ROBINSON BREWER
BOX 314 ROUTE 1
SCOTT, ARKANSAS

I am sure you know that the Executive Committee of ACHR is meeting today with Mr. Paul Rilling, and that we are working toward a vital program for our annual meeting in January. We felt that our last meeting, when Dr. Lincoln spoke, was so successful that we are "on the spot" to make this next one even more auspicious.

With all good wishes -

Most sincerely,

Vivian L. Brewer

Mrs. Joe R. Brewer

L Pitts

January 9, 1962

Mr. Jack Nelson
702 Gravier Building
538 Gravier Street
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Nelson:

It is with great pleasure that I welcome you to membership in the Southern Regional Council. I trust you will find, as I have, this association to be an enriching and rewarding one.

We shall look forward to having the benefit of your counsel.

With all good wishes.

Sincerely yours,

James M. Dabbs
President

January 16, 1962

Mr. Cody Fowler
Citizens Building
Tampa 2, Florida

Dear Mr. Fowler:

On ~~November~~ Feb. 21 29 we wrote to extend an invitation to you to membership on the Southern Regional Council. Our Executive Committee meets in early ~~February~~ March and at that time we would like to report to it the response of those persons to whom invitations were extended. We would be most grateful if we could have your reply before then.

We are very hopeful, of course, that you will find it possible to serve on the Council's policy making body.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely yours

Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director

LWD:mbb

Same letter to:
The Rev. M. D. McCollom
The Rev. Theodore Gibson

PAV

Christ Episcopal Church

CORNER HIBISCUS AND WILLIAM

MIAMI 33, FLORIDA

January 24,1962

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar, Executive
Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Sir:

This is to say I have received your letter extending me an invitation to become a member of the Board of Southern Regional Council, Inc.

I do want to say that after reading the material you sent me, together with talking to others associated with the Council, I am indeed happy and consider it a privilege to accept membership on the board of the council.

With every hope that I will live up to the expectations of the Council in rendering service to humanity. I am,

Yours truly,

Theo. R. Gibson

Theo. R. Gibson, Rector

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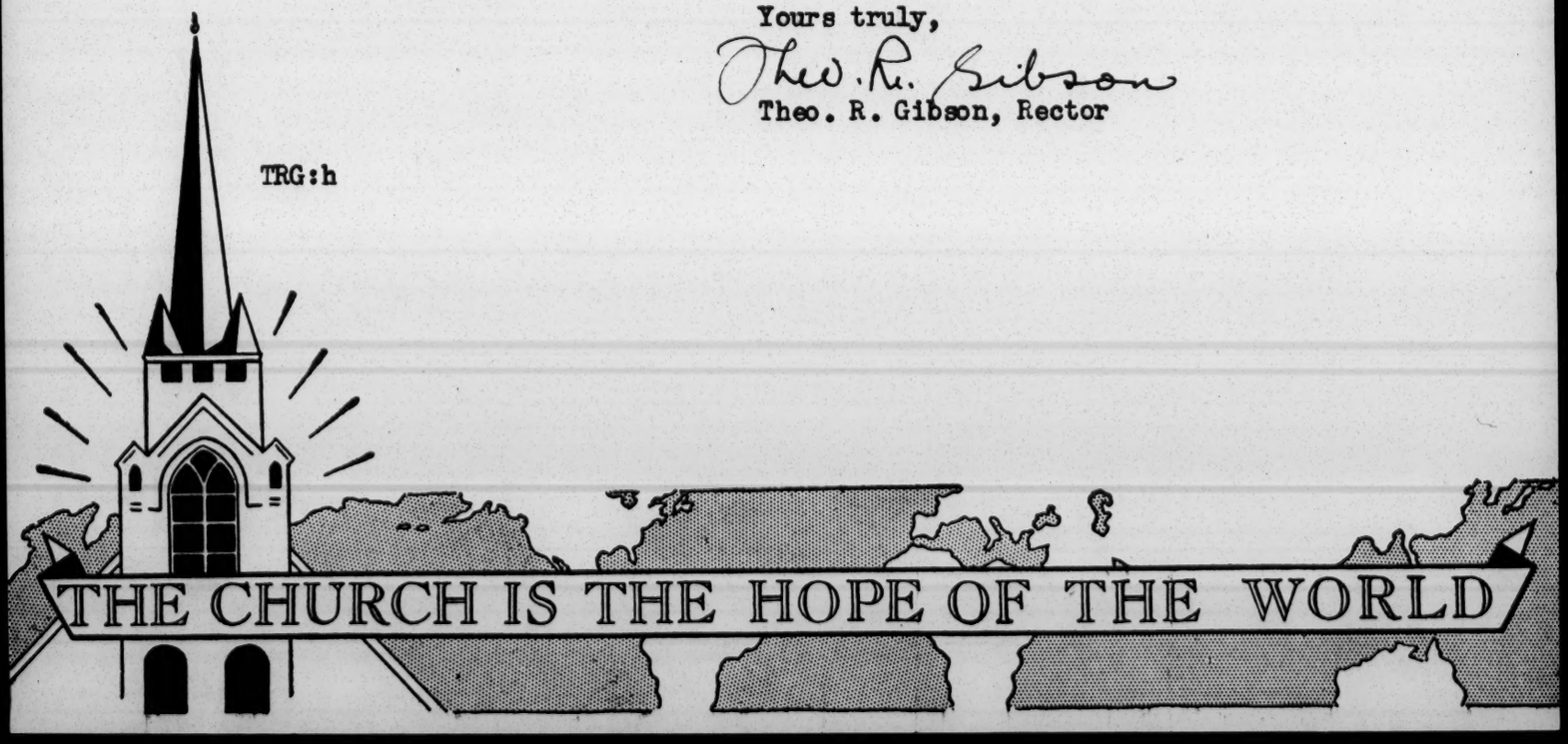

Prospective Member

February 21, 1962

Mr. John Popham
Chattanooga Times
Chattanooga, Tennessee

Dear John:

Paul Anthony has told me of your fine response to him when he discussed Council membership with you. Whether you are formally with us or not, we regard you as one of our own. If the time ever comes when you think you could accept Council membership, please let me know.

Sincerely yours,

Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director

LWD/mmj

Board — File — Administrative Office 1962

March 27, 1962

Dr. Crawford Brock
Harbin Clinic
Rome, Georgia

Dear Dr. Brock:

On February 21 we wrote to extend an invitation to you to membership on the Southern Regional Council. Our Executive Committee meets in early April and at that time we would like to report to it the response of those persons to whom invitations were extended. We would be most grateful if we could have your reply before then.

We are very hopeful, of course, that you will find it possible to serve on the Council's policy making body.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director

LWD/mmj

To all new members
incl. Dr. Hobart & Powers McLeod

February 21, 1962

Dr. Crawford Brock
Harbin Clinic
Rome, Georgia

Dear Dr. Brock:

It is with great pleasure that I invite you to membership on the Southern Regional Council. At a recent meeting, it was unanimously voted that this invitation be extended and I was instructed to do so.

The Council has a membership of eighty-five Southerners drawn from twelve states, both races, the major religious faiths and denominations, and a wide range of occupations. The full membership meets only once a year to transact the important business of the organization and to formulate its guiding policies. Between Annual Meetings, an Executive Committee, elected by the members, meets four or more times to give the staff policy direction. Reports on program and finances are sent periodically to all members.

Thus membership on the Council imposes no burdensome or time-consuming duties. But it does provide a meaningful and informed voice in the direction of the Council, which we feel is performing a vital service to the growth of democracy and good human relations in the South. I greatly

hope you will share this view of the Council's value and will do us the honor of accepting a position of leadership in it.

I am enclosing several documents which describe briefly the Council's history, aims, and recent activities. If you would like more information on any point, please call on me for it.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely,

Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director

LWD/mmj
Enclosures — Dir. Report, 1961, Policy Statement, L-1, Fed. Exec., Bd. List
BC: Joseph Haas

March 27, 1962

Mr. Lucius Pitts
President
Miles College
Birmingham, Alabama

Dear Mr. Pitts:

It is with great pleasure that I welcome you to membership in the Southern Regional Council. I trust you will find, as I have, this association to be an enriching and rewarding one.

We shall look forward to having the benefit of your counsel.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely yours,

James M. Dabbs
President

JMD/mmj

Bd.

File
Board - Nominating Ctee
1962

April 2, 1962

Dr. R. Crawford Brock
14 Professional Court
Rome, Georgia

Dear Dr. Brock:

It is with great pleasure that I welcome you to membership in the Southern Regional Council. I trust you will find, as I have, this association to be an enriching and rewarding one.

We shall look forward to having the benefit of your counsel.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely yours,

~~James M. Dabbs~~ John H. Sheler
President

JMD/mmj

P A
file under welcome

R. CRAWFORD BROCK, M. D.
14 PROFESSIONAL COURT
ROME, GEORGIA

March 30, 1962

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsythe Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Dunbar:

I had thought that by my response to Mr. Haas that you knew that I had accepted the offer for membership on the Board of the Southern Regional Council. Please consider this letter as a re-emphasis of that consent.

Sincerely yours,

Crawford Brock

R. Crawford Brock, M. D.

RCB:mk

PA

Les,

It occurs to me, while typing up the minutes of the Executive Committee, that we should now write letters to Rabbi Mantinband and Dr. Luther Foster inviting them to serve on the 1962 Nominating Committee. You'll recall that they were elected by the Exec. Cttee. at its May 30 meeting.

They'll be serving with Mr. Irving Carlyle, Dr. Raymond Wheeler, and Mr. Thomas Young all of whom were elected at Annual Meeting.

Attached is a form letter which Paul Anthony sends over his signature each year.

mmj

Nom. Ctee
1962

Same ltr. to Dr. Luther H. Foster
~~Elsie Nelmezzo~~ Tuskegee Institute

June 28, 1962

Rabbi Charles Mantinband
P. O. Box 1326
Hattiesburg, Mississippi

My dear Rabbi Mantinband:

At the last meeting of the Executive Committee it was voted to ask you to serve on the Nominating Committee for 1962. This Committee is charged with bringing in nominations for officers and Board vacancies at the next annual meeting. The staff solicits suggestions from all Members and has a list of possible candidates for the Committee, which will meet one time in the fall.

The second person named by the Executive Committee was Dr. Luther H. Foster; the members appointed at the Annual Meeting, all of whom have agreed to serve, were Mr. Irving Carlyle, Dr. Raymond Wheeler, and Mr. Thomas Young.

The Nominating Committee of the Council always has a particularly valuable service to perform, and I hope you will write that we can count on your service.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

PA/mmj

Nominating Ctee 1962

CONGREGATION B'NAI ISRAEL
P. O. BOX 1326
HATTIESBURG, MISSISSIPPI

RABBI
CHARLES MANTINBAND
808 MAMIE STREET

July 1st, 1962

Southern Regional Council,
5 Forsyth Street N.W.
Atlanta 3, Ga.

Attention: Paul Anthony

Dear Paul:

Atlanta is very much in our thoughts these days. First the Belafonte incident, and now the refusal to house Dr. Bunche at a downtown hotel. Even our Southern Regional Council finds it expedient to hold all its sessions at the time of the annual meeting, on the campus of Atlanta University. One could wish it were otherwise.

With pleasure I accept the place on the Nominating Committee for 1962. Will the matter of selecting our officers and board vacancies be considered through correspondence or necessitate a meeting in Atlanta? We shall be away from July 15th to September 1st, but after that are at your service. I know well the others who are on this committee.

Yours sincerely,

C. Mantinband

Charles Mantinband

P.S. Some time ago I read, in an New York newspaper, an acceptance speech by Lillian Smith, upon receiving some award for a noteworthy magazine article. Could Margaret Long send me a copy of this speech, or tell me where the original article appeared?

L. H. FOSTER, PRESIDENT

H. K. LOGAN, BUSINESS MANAGER

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July 13, 1962

Mr. Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street, Northwest
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Anthony:

Thank you for your letter of June 28.

Kindly advise the Executive Committee of Southern Regional Council that I shall be pleased to serve as a member of the Nominating Committee for 1962. I look forward to working with the committee.

Sincerely yours,

L. H. Foster
President

LHF:p

Sept 8

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL
5 Forsyth Street, NW
Atlanta, Georgia

MEMORANDUM August 1, 1962

To: SRC Board Members

From: Paul Anthony

- : -

The Nominating Committee will meet during September to determine the Committee's recommendations to be placed before the Members at the Annual Meeting on November 19.

The By-Laws state that, although Members of a given class (in this instance the Class of 1962) may be re-elected, those chosen must include at least five new Members. An additional five members are to be added to the class. Therefore, at least ten (10) new Members will be elected.

The Committee would like to have your suggestions for new Members. If you will send them to me, I will see that they are presented to the Nominating Committee. Please include as much information as possible about the person or persons whom you recommend.

The members of the Nominating Committee are:

Mr. Irving Carlyle
Dr. Luther H. Foster
Rabbi Charles Mantinband
Dr. Raymond Wheeler
Mr. Thomas Young

- : -

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
5 FORSYTH STREET, N.W., ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA

MEMORANDUM August 1, 1962

To: Members of Nominating Committee:
Mr. Irving Carlyle
Dr. Raymond Wheeler
Mr. Thomas Young
Rabbi Charles Mantinband
Dr. Luther H. Foster

From: Paul Anthony
Administrative Assistant

- : -

We would like to set a date for the Nominating Committee meeting which should be held during early September. The meeting will begin at 10:00 a.m., on the date selected and end no later than 4:00 p.m., on the same day.

Since it would be desirable to have the full Committee in attendance, we have selected the three possible dates listed below. Would you please indicate all of the dates convenient for you and return this form in the enclosed envelope. As soon as we have heard from the full Committee, we will confirm a date and send you other information about the meeting. The enclosed memo is being sent to all Members today.

* * *

I CAN BE PRESENT ON:

September 12 _____ } SORRY; SCHOOL OPENS THIS WEEK.
September 13 _____ }
September 17 ✓

OF THESE I PREFER _____

Signed: Luther H. Foster
Luther H. Foster

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
5 FORSYTH STREET, N. W., ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA

Wed. Sept 5

MEMORANDUM August 1, 1962

To: Members of Nominating Committee:
Mr. Irving Carlyle
Dr. Raymond Wheeler
Mr. Thomas Young
Rabbi Charles Mantinband
Dr. Luther H. Foster

From: Paul Anthony
Administrative Assistant

- : -

We would like to set a date for the Nominating Committee meeting which should be held during ~~early~~ late August or early September. The meeting will begin at 10:00 a.m., on the date selected and end no later than 4:00 p.m., on the same day.

Since it would be desirable to have the full Committee in attendance, we ~~have selected the three possible dates listed below~~. Would you please indicate all of the dates convenient for you and return this form in the enclosed envelope. As soon as we have heard from the full Committee, we will confirm a date and send you other information about the meeting. The enclosed memo is being sent to all Members today.

are giving you a choice of any day during the last week in August (Aug. 26-30) + the First or 2nd of Sept. + also the Fri. the 3rd

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Aug. 27 + 28 ~~30~~ (Tues. + Wed) Sept. 1 + 2 ~~+ 3~~ ? Sept 3 now

I CAN BE PRESENT ON:

September 12 ✓

September 13 ✓

September 17 ? — Wed. Sept. 19th

every day Sept 1 or 2 or 3 or 4 or 5 Sept 11/Sept. Sept. 2 Leave Aug

OF THESE I PREFER Sept. 12

Signed: Raymond Wheeler

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
5 FORSYTH STREET, N.W., ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA

MEMORANDUM August 1, 1962

To: Members of Nominating Committee:
Mr. Irving Carlyle
Dr. Raymond Wheeler
Mr. Thomas Young
Rabbi Charles Mantinband
Dr. Luther H. Foster

From: Paul Anthony
Administrative Assistant

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I CAN BE PRESENT ON:

September 12 yes
September 13 no
September 17 yes

only morning flight from Norfolk arrives in atlanta 10:25 Am

OF THESE I PREFER Sept. 12

Signed: Thomas W Young
Thomas Young

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August 2, 1962

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

file - Board - Potential Members

Mr. Paul Anthony
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Anthony:

I am recommending Dr. L. H. Newsom as a member of the Southern Regional Council Board if he is not already a member. I am attaching a statement about him.

Sincerely yours,

Benjamin E. Mays

Benjamin E. Mays
President

BEM:H
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Please complete the information requested below and return to me immediately. If additional space is needed to complete any of the items, please attach an additional sheet. For publicity purposes, kindly send on or before October 1, a glossy-print photograph.

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DATE OF BIRTH (Optional) November 11, 1919 (Month Day Year) Place of birth Branchville, Texas (City State)

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Undergraduate	Lincoln University (Missouri)	1934-38	A.B.	1938
Advanced	University of Michigan	1939-40	M.A.	1940
	The Ohio State University	1942-43		
	Washington University (St. Louis, Missouri)	1950-51 1955-56	Ph.D.	1956

EXPERIENCE:	Position	City	Years
Teaching	Teaching Fellow, Fisk	Nashville, Tenn.	1941-42
	Instructor, Lincoln Univ.	Jefferson City	1946-47
	Stowe Teachers College	St. Louis, Mo.	1949-51
Other	Southern Univ. (Assoc. Prof.)	Baton Rouge, La.	1947-49
	" " Prof. Chr. Dept.	" "	1951-60
	Boys' Work Secy. Spring St. YMCA	Columbus, O.	1942-43
	Supervisor Community Services	St. Louis Housing Authority	1955-56

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August 13, 1962

Mr. Paul Anthony
Administrative Assistant
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Paul:

In the reply I sent you a few days ago to your inquiry about the matter of the Nominating Committee, I said that I could not attend on September 13.

I now find that I am available on that date, and in the event it is the one desired by the other members, go ahead and schedule it, and I will be there.

Sincerely,

Tom

Thomas W. Young

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NORTH CAROLINA ADVISORY COMMITTEE

TO THE UNITED STATES COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

August 13, 1962 ADDRESS REPLY TO:

Mr. Leslie Dunbar, Executive Director,
SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL,
5 Forsyth St., N. W.,
Atlanta 3, Georgia.

Dear Sir:

Thank you for your letter of August 3 and the excellent quotations.

I appreciate your indulgence in regard to being a director of the Council. As I said before, I very much appreciate the honor of having been asked and I will be able to serve. It doesn't matter to me which way you handle it. It will probably be another six or eight weeks before I am free of the responsibility for the North Carolina Committee, but it may not be that you will have any occasion to need me before then anyway.

Thank you for your help, and with best regards,

Very truly yours,

Mac

McNeill Smith

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August 14, 1962

Mr. Paul Anthony
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Paul:

My only suggestion to the Nominating Committee is that certain people were suggested as alternates for last year in case of any who declined. Perhaps these people should be considered first. One of the alternates was my good friend, Rufus Stout.

Yours very truly,

Lee B. Thomas, Jr.
Executive Vice President

re

August 17, 1962

Mr. Irving E. Carlyle
Attorney
Wachovia Bank Building
Winston-Salem, N. C.

Dear Mr. Carlyle:

The meeting of the nominating committee will be held on Wednesday, September 5, beginning at 10:00 a. m. in the Council office.

We look forward to seeing you then.

Sincerely yours,

Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

PA:A

August 17, 1962

Mr. Thomas W. Young
The Journal and Guide
Norfolk, Virginia

Dear Tom:

The meeting of the ~~Executive~~ Non Committee will be held on Wednesday, September 5, beginning at 10:00 A.M. in the Council office.

We really appreciate the effort you have to make to be here.

Sincerely yours,

Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

PA:A

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DIRECTOR

August 17, 1962

Mr. Paul Anthony
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Paul Anthony:

In response to your memorandum requesting the names of prospective SRC Board members, I have a few to suggest. These are persons I have run into mainly in connection with the State Advisory Committees in the various states:

James Head, President, Head Office Supply Company, 2013 First Avenue, N, Birmington. Mr. Head has just accepted membership on the Alabama Advisory Committee, is a prominent business man in Birmingham, and I believe headed the Committee of One Hundred which petitioned the city to keep the public parks open. I have not met Mr. Head personally, but have talked on the phone with him a couple of times. You might want to check him out with Mr. Jimerson, but I feel he would make an excellent addition to the committee.

Mr. Moreland Smith, 3236 Bankhead Avenue, Montgomery, Alabama. Mr. Smith is an architect. I gather he and his wife have been active with the Council on Human Relations in Alabama. There may be some reluctance to his accepting membership on SRC.

Russell Sugarman, 588 Vance Street, Memphis, Tennessee. Mr. Sugarman is a young lawyer graduated from the Harvard Law School, a member of the Tennessee Advisory Committee. He testified at the Commission on Civil Rights hearing in Memphis and appears to be a very able leader.

McNeill Smith, 700 Jefferson Standard Building, Greensboro, North Carolina. I am sure you are well aware of McNeill and the work he has done with the NC, Advisory Committee. I would assume that he has been

previously requested to become a member but am mentioning his name in case he has not been considered. He will be resigning from the North Carolina Committee as soon as another has been set up.

Bishop Henry I. Louttit, Po. O. Box 597, Winter Park, Florida. Bishop Louttit is a member of the Florida Advisory Committee. I have only talked with him on the phone, likewise, but understand from those who know him that he is an outstanding person.

I wrote you earlier about two other persons but will mention them here as well.

Mr. George Lewis, II, President, Lewis State Bank, Tallahassee, Florida. George Lewis is chairman of the Florida Advisory Committee, a very fine and courageous person.

H. O. Forgy, H. O. Forgy and Sons, Barton Street, Jackson, Tennessee. Mr. Forgy is chairman of the Tennessee Advisory Committee. He is rather a quiet spoken person but wants to see his own community take a move in desegregation.

If we continue the trend of selecting outstanding members of the councils on human relations in the various states to become members of the State Advisory Committees and then pick the outstanding members of the State Advisory Committees to be members of the Southern Regional Council we really will have an innerlocking directory. If such a practice is a prerequisite for capitalism then I am all in favor of promoting more and more capitalism.

With best regards,

Sincerely,

Courtney Siceloff

cs:bbm

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August 20, 1962

Mr. Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Re: Meeting of nominating committee

Dear Mr. Anthony:

Your letter of August 17 was received. The date September 5, beginning at 10:00 a.m. in the Council office, for this meeting, is now agreeable to me, and I am planning to be present.

Yours very truly,

I. E. Carlyle

IEC:bm

CONGREGATION B'NAI ISRAEL
P. O. BOX 1326
HATTIESBURG, MISSISSIPPI

RABBI
CHARLES MANTINBAND
808 MAMIE STREET

August 22, 1962

Mr. Paul Anthony,
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street,
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Paul:

This day we are back from abroad, and I have not gone through my mail. Your letter is dated September 17th, but was no doubt intended as August 17th. I see that the date of the nominating committee has been scheduled for Wednesday September 5 at 10 A.M. Will this consume the afternoon as well? In which case, connections being what they are, this may necessitate overnight in Atlanta. Am I correct that S.R.C. will cover the travel cost?

Kindly advise.

Yours sincerely,

Rabbi

Charles Mantinband

SOUTHERN METHODIST UNIVERSITY
PERKINS SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY
DALLAS 22, TEXAS

PA

August 23, 1962

Mr. Paul Anthony
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Anthony:

Your letter of August 1 requested names for consideration by the Nominating Committee. I would like to suggest the names of Dr. Earl D. C. Brewer, Mr. Joseph E. Wroten, Dr. William Finch, the Rev. C. Ebb Munden, III, and Mrs. Martin L. Harvey.

Dr. Brewer is a professor in the school of theology at Emory University. He is widely published in journals in the field and teaches in the area of social change. Any standard biographical dictionary will furnish you a great amount of information concerning him.

Mr. Wroten is a member of the Mississippi State Legislature. He is one of the few liberals serving in that body. He is also a member of the General Board of Christian Social Concerns of The Methodist Church, serving in the Division of Human Relations. He is a member of the law firm of Wroten, Orlanski, and Miller, 338 May Building, Greenville, Mississippi.

Dr. Finch is the Dean of the Divinity School of Vanderbilt University. Formerly he was president of Southwestern University at Georgetown, Texas. He is a member of the General Conference of The Methodist Church. He is a native of Virginia while his wife is a native of Georgia.

Mr. Munden is one of the very brightest young men that I have ever had as a student. Currently he serves a liberal young congregation in metropolitan New Orleans. He has been quite active in work on human relations in that city. His address is 6017 Camphor Street, Metairie, Louisiana.

Mrs. Martin Harvey is secretary of the General Board of Christian Social Concerns of The Methodist Church. Her husband is a clergyman and a professor. She is a skilled business woman herself. Recently she has toured Africa. She has been vitally involved in furnishing assistance to the sit-ins in Jackson, Mississippi. Her address is 415

North Farish Street, Jackson 2, Mississippi.

I am sure that you will have many names suggested to you. I bring these to your attention because I am quite sure that each of them would be able to serve competently as a member of the Board.

Sincerely,

Douglas Jackson

Douglas Jackson
Professor

DJ:dl

P.S. Mrs. Harvey is Negro.

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A Council to attain the ideals and practices of equal opportunity for all peoples in the South

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
RIP RAPS PLANTATION
MAYESVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA

August 25, 1962

Mr. Paul Anthony, Executive Asst.
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth St., N. W., Atlanta 3, Ga.

Dear Paul:

Some time ago, you requested, as an aid to the Nominating Committee, the names of possible new members of SRC. I suggest the following:

1. The Rev. Frederick C. James, 215 West Bartlette Street, Sumter, S. C. Mr. James is a Negro, forty or so, a leader in the Methodist Church--I don't know which branch, and I doubt if it would mean anything to you if I told you. I know he is rather outstanding even in the national organization. He also does excellent work in interracial relations on the local level. He has convictions and he is suave in presenting them.

2. The Honorable Clifford Durr, 17 Molton St. Building, Montgomery, Ala. White. Lawyer. Some ten years in the National Administration--I forget exactly what job. Has sacrificed practically everything in defending Negroes in Montgomery, from the matter of police protection on up. A fighting liberal. I don't know whether his health will permit him to accept membership in SRC.

3. Mr. Hyman Rubin. White. Columbia, S. C. (I will request Alice Spearman to write you his exact address and something in detail. Has been for several years one of the city's councilmen. I have known him personally for some ten years, and have always found him keen in his support of liberal causes. Jew. His location in Columbia, which has just made a significant move in the desegregation of the lunch counters of eight chain variety stores, might be of value to the Council.

4. The Rev. Charles M. Jones, Box 2, Chapel Hill, N. C. Formerly a Presbyterian, but was kicked out of that church for his liberalism, especially in the matter of race relations, and upon the insistence of most of his membership

organized the Community Church, which has already outgrown its first building. Though in his fifties, he is still youthful and remains a leader especially among the students of the South. I have lived with him for nearly a year and feel I know him. It would be great to have Charlie on the team.

I am writing Leslie about my getting out of the presidency at the next annual meeting. You can transmit to the Nominating Committee such information on this matter as you think best.

Thanks fot the check for $1300, covering the balance of the Field Foundation Grant for the Southern History Project. I received from Max Hahn today a nice letter, telling me that if I wished to work on the project at home this winter, and found this effort satisfactory, I could use such part of the grant as was necessary for my living expenses. I haven't hit a real stride yet, but at least I'm beginning to move. Within the last two weeks or so, I have done, very tentatively, some four chapters. As long as I'm succeeding, I'll stay at home; but if I feel the need, I'll be off to UNC, or some other place where books and ideas congregate.

One other matter. I have just finished reading J. David Stern's Memoirs of a Maverick Publisher, which was sent me some time ago with the compliments of the publishers, and--if I'm not mistaken--with a letter from Mr. Stern himself. It came to me as President of SRC. I know that we are the recipients of a grant from The Stern Family Fund--I believe that is what it is called--though at the moment I forget how much the grant is, or for what it was given. What I want to know is, how closely connected is the author of this book with the Stern Family Fund? He has a son who edited a paper in New Orleans, but he never mentions any foundation. Since he ended his newspaper career by the sale of his properties for twelve million, he might have gone into foundation work--become a philanthropoid. If I write him thanking him for the book--and I most certainly will if he is connected with the Foundation--I should like to mention appreciatively this family connection.

With kindest personal regards,

~~Sincerely,~~

J. M. Dabbs

J. M. Dabbs,
President.

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
5 FORSYTH STREET, N. W., ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA

August 28, 1962

Memo: to Members of the Nominating Committee

From: Paul Anthony

Enclosed are items which you may wish to have prior to the meeting on September 5: an analysis of members and a list of the members of the class of 1962. All of these persons are eligible for re-election, but the By-Laws require that at least five of them be dropped.

Please let us know if we can provide a travel advance, make hotel reservations, or otherwise be of help.

We look forward to seeing you on the 5th at 10:00 a. m.

Mr. Irving Carlyle
Dr. Luther H. Foster
Rabbi Charles Mantinband
Dr. Raymond Wheeler
Mr. Thomas Young

AN ANALYSIS OF SRC MEMBERS

Table I - By State and Race

State	Total	Negro	White
Alabana	~~6~~ 5	~~5~~ 4	1
Arkansas	3	0	3
Florida	7	2	5
Georgia	13	6	7
Kentucky	4	1	3
Louisiana	4	1	3
Mississippi	~~5~~ 4	~~2~~ 0	~~3~~ 4
North Carolina	~~13~~ 1	3	~~10~~ 9
Oklahoma	1	1	0
South Carolina	5	2	3
Texas	~~8~~ 7	3	~~5~~ 4
Tennessee	~~8~~ 8	5	~~1~~ 3
Virginia	7	2	5
TOTALS	85	~~33~~ ~~32~~ 31	~~52~~ 49

Table II - By Profession or Major Interest

College Presidents, Faculty & Related	23
Bishops & Ministers	14
Churchwomen & Civic Leaders	12
Businessmen	11
Attorneys	7
Publishers & Editors	4
Agency Officials	3
Labor Officials	2
Doctors of Medicine	2
Authors	3
Other	4
TOTAL	85

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P. O. Box 1326
HATTIESBURG, MISSISSIPPI

DATE 8/29 1962

FROM THE DESK OF
RABBI CHARLES MANTINBAND

Paul:

Make reservation at Piedmont for me - late arrival (9 p.m.) Tuesday Sept 4 - I shall fly via New Orleans. Presume the meeting is at SRC office.

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If you can send a travel advance of $100, I'd appreciate it.

It would help also, if I could have a complete roster of our membership.

Robbi

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TELEPHONE
AREA CODE 919
725-1311

August 30, 1962

Piedmont Hotel
Atlanta
Georgia

Gentlemen:

Please reserve for me a single room with bath for next Tuesday night, September 4, arriving at about 9:00 P.M., and leaving the next morning.

Yours very truly,

Irving E. Carlyle

IEC:BA

cc: Mr. Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
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August 30, 1962

Mr. Paul Anthony
Administrative Assistant
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5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Paul:

With Eastern Airlines limping through the airways, it has been difficult arranging transportation to be in Atlanta in time for the start of the meeting at ten o'clock on next Wednesday.

I am going to take my daughter to Washington on Tuesday and will take the first available flight out of there on Wednesday morning. That will put me in Atlanta at 10:15, and I suspect it will be about eleven o'clock before I get down to the office.

If I come back to Norfolk, it is worse because then the earliest flight out of here to Atlanta leaves at 9:10 and arrives there at 10:25.

I don't think it would be too bad to miss the first hour because I can review the matters discussed during lunch time and catch up with the rest of the committee. So unless I hear something from you to the contrary, I will arrange to reach Atlanta on the trip that arrives at 10:15.

Now if someone else is coming in about the same time and a car is going to be there to meet him, we could get down to the office easily within a half hour, I am sure. In any event, I will get there as soon as possible and will remain throughout the meeting.

Sincerely,

Tom

Thomas W. Young

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POTENTIAL MEMBERS FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE
September 5, 1962

ALABAMA

Neil Davis	Publisher, Lee County Bulletin, Auburn. White.
Clifford Durr	Attorney, Montgomery. White.
Father Albert Foley	Professor of Sociology, Spring Hill College, Mobile. White
James Head	President, Head Office Supply Co., Birmingham. White.
Paul Johnston	Attorney, Birmingham. White.
Moreland Smith	Architect, Montgomery. White.
Nat Welch	Businessman and business development consultant. Auburn. White.

ARKANSAS

Dr. Harry P. McDonald	M. D., Fort Smith. Negro.
Rev Wm. H. Townsend	Lib
Mrs. J. O. Powell	Organizer of Women's Emergency Committee. Monticello. White.
Mrs. David D. Terry	Organizer of Women's Emergency Committee, Little Rock. White.
James E. Youngdahl	Attorney, Little Rock. White.
Roosevelt D Crockett	Pres, Philander Smith

FLORIDA

George Lewis, II.	President, Lewis State Bank, Tallahassee. White.
Mrs. Mamie Williams	Teacher, past president National Congress of Colored Parents & Teachers Association. Negro.
Walton Scudder	Ind. Dept of Ag, Univ of Fla

GEORGIA

Dr. Earl D. C. Brewer	Professor, School of Theology, Emory University, Atlanta. White.

KENTUCKY

Rufus Stout	Personnel Manager, Air Reduction Chemical & Carbide Co., Louisville. Negro.

LOUISIANA

Mrs. Moise Cahn	Former President, National Council of Jewish Women, New Orleans. White.
John H Lewis, Baton Rouge	Mamie Hand Walker
J. D. DeBlieux	Former State Senator, Baton Rouge. White.
Leonard Burns	
The Rev. C. E. Munden	Pastor of church in metropolitan New Orleans, Metairie. White.
A. P. Turcaud	
Dr. Dan Thompson	Professor of Sociology, Dillary University, New Orleans. Negro.
C C Clarkson	

MISSISSIPPI

The Rev. Henry Clay	Vice Chairman, Mississippi Council on Human Relations, Laurel. Negro.
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Aaron Henry	President, N.A.A.C.P. of Mississippi. Clarksdale. Negro.
Joseph E. Wroten	Attorney, Member State Legislature, Greenville, White.

NORTH CAROLINA

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The Rev. Charles M. Jones	Pastor, the Community Church, Chapel Hill, White.
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Dr. H. Shelton Smith	Dean, Duke University Divinity School. Durham. White.

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Dr. Wright Spears	President, Columbia College, Columbia. White.

TENNESSEE

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Dr. Robert Harris	Professor of Political Science, Vanderbilt University. Nashville. White.
Martin Ochs	Publisher, Chattanooga Times. White.
Kenneth B. Piper	Vice President, Provident Insurance Co., Chattanooga. White.

TENNESSEE (continued)

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NOMINEES FOR
SRC OFFICERS
and
MEMBERSHIP
AS PROPOSED BY THE
NOMINATING COMMITTEE
SEPTEMBER 5, 1962

OFFICERS

All re-nominated

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

All present members renominated except:
Brooke
Rothschild
Sigur

Replacements:
John P. Nelson, Jr.
Raymond Wheeler
Thomas W. Young

MEMBERS

For vacancy in Class of 1965 (to replace Arthur Gray):
Mrs. Moise Cahn - New Orleans

Class of 1966:
All present members of Class of 1962 re-nominated except:

McDowell	Robinson
Reddix	Smith

Replacements and additions:
Paul Johnston - Birmingham
Nat Welch - Auburn (Ala.)
Roosevelt D. Crockett - Little Rock
John G. Lewis - Baton Rouge
Mrs. Martin Harvey - Jackson (Miss.)
Hyman Rubin - Columbia
Martin Ochs - Chattanooga
Kenneth B. Piper - Chattanooga
J. Rupert Picott - Richmond

Albernates:
Alabama - Clifford Durr - Montgomery
Arkansas - William H. Townsend - Little Rock
Louisiana - A. P. Tureaud - New Orleans
Mississippi - Henry Clay - Laurel
South Carolina - Wright Spears - Columbia

Tennessee - 1. A. J. Wagner - Knoxville
2. Robert Harris - Nashville
Virginia - Edward Haddock - Richmond

September 11, 1962

accepted

Rabbi Charles Mantinband
P. O. Box 1326
Hattiesburg, Mississippi

Dear Rabbi Mantinband:

In keeping with our practice of determining beforehand whether or not persons nominated to membership will serve if elected, would you take on this chore for us with Mrs. Martin Harvey, 415 North Farish Street, Jackson. We recall you mentioned knowing her, therefore this request.

It was good to see you and we look forward to the pleasure again on November 19.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

PA:mg

September 11, 1962

The Rev. C. S. Cartwright
Pulaski Heights Christian Church
Hillcrest and Spruce
Little Rock, Arkansas

Dear Bert:

The Nominating Committee has selected Dr. Roosevelt D. Crockett, President Philander Smith, as a person to be selected for Council Membership from Arkansas. In these matters, as you know, we like to determine beforehand whether or not persons will serve. Would you take on the chore of approaching Dr. Crockett to determine if he would serve if elected. We understand Dr. Crockett was very active in the Alabama Council and we hope he has resumed or will resume his interest in Arkansas.

No great hurry on this but we would like to have these matters settled well before the annual meeting.

Many thanks and best wishes.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

PA:mg

Declined

September 11, 1962

Mr. Benjamin Muse
Box 312
Manassas, Virginia

Dear Ben:

Your friend, Mr. Kenneth B. Piper, has been selected by the Nominating Committee. You may recall that where possible we try to determine beforehand whether or not persons nominated would serve if elected. In the case of Mr. Piper, could you perform this chore for us?

Look forward to seeing you next week.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

PA:mg

September 11, 1962

Mr. John Popham
Managing Editor
The Chattanooga Times
Chattanooga, Tennessee

Dear Pop:

We are still determined to find a good man in Chattanooga to serve on the SRC Board, even though you turned us down last year. You may recall at that time you suggested Martin Ochs. This year our Nominating Committee liked your suggestion and Ochs' name will be placed before the full board in November. In these cases we like to determine beforehand, quietly and unofficially, whether or not a person will serve if elected. Could you perform this chore for us in the case of Ochs? A full list of present Council members is enclosed in case you need a refresher on who is with us these days. It's quite a list with a sprinkling of editors and publishers but very light on good managing editors!

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

PA:mg

Enclosure

LWD ✓
file Board, potential members

MILES COLLEGE
BIRMINGHAM 8, ALABAMA

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

September 12, 1962

Mr. Paul Anthony
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Anthony:

I would like to suggest the name of Dr. E. Clayton Calhoun as a nominee for the Southern Regional Council Board. Dr. Calhoun is president of Paine College in Augusta, Georgia, and has weathered the storms accompanying student demonstrations in Augusta in a real statesmanlike manner. If you did not see his statement to the press, I am sure he would send you copies of the same.

When Dr. Calhoun came to Paine College four years ago, the College had less than $50,000 in endowment. It now has more than $300,000. One new dormitory has been added during Dr. Calhoun's administration and the college is well along with a second. They will be groundbreaking this fall for a chapel on the campus to be named Gilbert-Lambuth. Dr. Gilbert was an American Negro and Dr. Lambuth a Methodist bishop.

I can never thank you enough for the great response we have received in your book campaign. As soon as the new staff members handling the library and book letters can get settled, we will send you a detailed report.

Yours truly,

L. H. Pitts

L. H. Pitts

LHP:elh

LWD
PA

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Box 312
Manassas, Va.

September 14, 1962

Bd. list
9/19/62 m.A

Mr. Kenneth B. Piper
1119 Concord Street
Chattanooga 5, Tennessee

Dear Mr. Piper:

I have been informed that our nominating committee has selected your name for submission to the board of the Southern Regional Council for election to membership in that body at its annual meeting next November.

The committee also asked me to ascertain if possible if you would be able to serve in this capacity. This inquiry is made in these year-to-year additions to our board in order that in the event the individual selected is unable to serve, another nomination may be made. I do not feel uneasy in broaching the matter, as the formality of election may be regarded as a foregone conclusion.

The Southern Regional Council board is a body of about eighty Southerners, both white and colored, from all sections of the South who are united in a desire to eliminate race discrimination and in a general devotion to the welfare and progress of the South. Educators, clergymen, writers and businessmen are prominently represented. I enclose a Congressional Record reprint, which gives some of the SRC background. I am asking our Atlanta office to send you a current list of board members. You will probably find some personal friends among them.

Membership on the board imposes no exacting duties. There is only one full meeting a year, in November, although several committees meet more often. Reports are received and business is transacted, but the emphasis

in the annual meetings, which are held in Atlanta and l. about two days, is on fellowship and inspiration. I beli. you would enjoy this association with men and women who sha your views and your ideals. In any personal activity which you should undertake in our field the cooperation of our regular staff and the facilities of our Atlanta office would be available to you. I would hope that you would be able from time to time to visit our Atlanta office, where Dr. Leslie W. Dunbar, our executive director, and other officers would enjoy discussing the great problem with you.

I joined the SRC board in 1957 and took an assignment as a member of the staff in 1959. When that is terminated, I look forward to continuing as a board member. I may add, as a personal note, that I am now more or less immobilized for a year on a writing assignment -- which explains why I have not come to you in Chattanooga to discuss this matter of membership on our board. I have begun work on a book for the SRC and the Viking Press, reviewing ten years since the Supreme Court's Brown decision. I have also been appointed to the President's Committee on Equality of Opportunity in the Armed Forces, which takes me to Washington about once a month. I am withdrawing from other activities until I get this rather staggering writing job under control. (I am taking a break nevertheless to spend October in Europe!)

I was delighted at this action of our nominating committee and I shall be very happy indeed if we can count on your acceptance of an invitation to membership on our board.

With warm regards.

Sincerely yours,

Benjamin Muse

September 16, 1962

Mr. McNeill Smith
700 Jefferson Standard Bldg.
Greensboro, North Carolina

Dear Mac:

We were very glad to get your letter. The simplest thing, and certainly for us the most attractive thing, is to make your membership on the SRC board effective at once in the class of 1965. As you had already been elected, your acceptance was the only remaining formality. There will be, of course, no publicity connected with membership and as we do not contemplate putting out a new list of members for several months, your name will not be listed yet for a while. But we shall put you at once on our membership mailing list and hope very much that you will be able to attend the Annual Meeting here in Atlanta on November 19 and 20; please mark it on your calendar.

With best regards,

Sincerely yours,

Leslie W. Dunbar

LWD:A

September 16, 1962

PA LWD

SRC BOARD MEMBER

Please send McNeil Smith whatever we send a new member and have him put on the board list and deleted from any other list he may be on.

September 17, 1962

Rabbi Charles Mantinband
Box 1326
Hattiesburg, Mississippi

Dear Rabbi Mantinband:

Please disregard my memo of August 1 pertaining to the meeting of the Nominating Committee. That meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 5, beginning at 10:00 A.M.

We very much hope it will be possible for you to be with us at that time.

Sincerely yours,

Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

PA:A

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H. A. MARSHALL, PRESIDENT
J. RUPERT PICOTT, EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

September 19, 1962

Mr. Paul M. Rilling
Director of Field Activities
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Paul:

Your word "dubious" is also a good one when applied to service which I would give. However, if you and the Nominating Committee think that I can be of some little assistance, I shall be happy to be considered as a board member of the Southern Regional Council. I understand, of course, that others also will be selected for nomination.

Do accept best personal wishes.

Cordially,

Executive Secretary

JRP:hhb

September 27, 1962

Mrs. Martin L. Harvey
Service by Collins
415 North Farish Street
Jackson 2, Mississippi

Dear Mrs. Harvey:

Thank you for your prompt response to Rabbi Mantinband's letter.

We appreciate your suggestion of Mrs. Johnson. However, the staff does not have the authority to make substitutions. The Nominating Committee of the Council meets annually to select persons for membership whose names are then brought to the consideration of the full Council at the Annual Meeting in November. The staff is limited to the responsibility of determining whether or not persons selected will serve if elected.

In this regard, we would like to urge you to reconsider on the matter of your proposed membership in the Council. We are well aware of your numerous and demanding commitments. In fact, Members are selected on the basis of their outstanding accomplishments. Enclosed is a list of present Members which we should have sent you earlier.

Council membership is not demanding. There is an annual two-day meeting which is attended by a majority of the Members who make policy decisions and otherwise

direct the staff. During the remainder of the year we hope Members will serve as a source of information and suggestions but no time-consuming obligations are involved.

It is highly unusual for us to urge a person to reconsider. But we want our membership to be reflective of the best of leadership and accomplishments in the region. And, in Mississippi we feel the addition of Mrs. Harvey would be especially appropriate toward that end.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

PA:A
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Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

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SEPT. 20, 1962

MR. PAUL ANTHONY
5 FORSYTH STREET
ATLANTA. GEORGIA

DEAR MR. ANTHONY:

AN INVITATION TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC. HAS COME FROM YOU THROUGH RABBI MANTINBAND.
AN OVERABUNDANCE OF COMMITMENTS TO THE BOARD OF CHRISTIAN SOCIAL CONCERNS, THE METHODIST CHURCH; TO WOMANPOWER UNLIMITED AND WOMEN'S STRIKE FOR PEACE, MAKE THE ACCEPTANCE OF ANY FURTHER RESPONSIBILITIES IMPOSSSIBLE. THANK YOU FOR CONSIDERING ME.

MAY I RECOMMEND INSTEAD, MRS. LILLIAN ROGERS JOHNSON, RUST COLLEGE, HOLLY SPRINGS, MISS. FORMER JEANNES SUPERVISOR. I BELIEVE RABBI MANTINBAND WILL AGREE THAT SHE IS AN EXCELLENT CHOICE.

CORDIALLY YOURS,

Clarie Collins Harvey
MRS. MARTIN L. HARVEY

COPY TO RABBI MANTINBAND

Pulaski Heights Christian Church

Colbert S. Cartwright, Pastor

Hillcrest and Spruce
Little Rock, Arkansas

October 2, 1962

Mr. Paul Anthony
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Paul:

I have contacted Dr. Roosevelt D. Crockett, President of Philander Smith College, and he has agreed to serve as a Council Member if elected.

He should make a splendid addition to the Council.

Sincerely,

Bert

Colbert S. Cartwright

Board
Prospective Members

October 10, 1962

Mr. K. B. Piper
Vice President
Provident Life & Accident Ins. Co.
Chattanooga, Tenn.

Dear Mr. Piper:

Thank you for your letter of October 2. We greatly regret that you feel that you cannot at this time accept the nomination for Council membership. We would have been delighted to have had you with us. I do not know whether Ben made clear in his letter that Council membership is a rather light demand on one's time. We do hope that all members can attend the annual meeting, which occurs in November. Other than this there are really no obligations, except of course, for those members that do accept service on various policy committees. If this explanation should prompt you to rethink your decision, I should be very glad to hear from you. If not, we do hope that you shall continue to be in touch with us from time to time and that in some later year the matter of membership might be reopened.

With best regards,

Sincerely yours,

LWD:A

Leslie W. Dunbar

PROVIDENT
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K. B. PIPER, VICE PRESIDENT

October 2, 1962

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar, Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Dunbar:

Our mutual friend, Mr. Muse, wrote me on September 14th, asking if it would be possible for me to serve as a member of the Board of the Southern Regional Council, subject to election at the annual meeting next November. I have had several extended conversations with Mr. Muse, which have been quite satisfactory and enlightening. The reason that I am writing to you is simply that he indicated he was going to spend October in Europe and I realize that the nominating committee will probably wish to select someone else in my place.

Because of a major civic chore which I have undertaken here, as well as some developments in the Company, I do not believe that I could do full justice to the membership suggested and must, therefore, request that my name not be submitted at this time.

Cordially yours,

Ken Piper

KBP:rp

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October 15, 1962

Dear Mr. Dabbs,

Have you had any word on the membership acceptance or rejection of Mr. Rubin, Columbia, S. C.?

Montez Albright
Secretary to Mr. Dunbar

PA ✓

JAMES M. DABBS, PRESIDENT
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Southern Regional Council, Inc.

5 FORSYTH STREET, N. W. ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA
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MA file

A Council to attain the ideals and practices of equal opportunity for all peoples in the South

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
RIP RAPS PLANTATION
MAYESVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA
October 16, 1962

Mrs. Montez Albright
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth St.,N.W., Atlanta 3,Ga.

Dear Mrs.Albright:

It's a good thing you sent that note inquiring about Mr.Rubin. He phoned me some days ago, and since I had no letter lying on my desk,I had forgotten, temporarily, to relay the information to Mr. Dunbar. Though Mr. Rubin must have taken five to ten dollars of long distance time to decline the nomination, he did decline.The fact that he hated to do so is indicated by what it must have cost him to say so. He wanted to explain the whole thing to me. He's been acting as mayor pro tem of Columbia for several years, and he feels that things are still too ticklish there, especially since he's Jewish, for him to become publicly associated with the Council. I thanked him, and told him we might be coming back to him in the not distant future.He may accept in a year or two , all depending upon how the #### situation develops in Columbia.

Please relay this information to Mr. Dunbar.

With kindest regards,

~~Sincerely,~~

J. M. Dabbs

J. M.Dabbs,
President

October 22, 1962

Mr. John Popham
Managing Editor
Chattanooga Times
Chattanooga, Tennessee

Dear Pop:

Any word from Mr. Ochs on the proposed Southern Regional Council Membership? We're getting close to the time of the Annual Meeting when his name will be submitted if he's agreeable.

Hear you've been ill. Trust it's over and done with. Am sure Fleming's recent visit to your city led to quite a reunion.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

PA:nm

Rom. Comm.

BCC: Dabbs
Spearman

If you feel that you would like to, please add your good word to this invitation.

October 22, 1962

Dr. Wright Spears, President
Columbia College
Columbia, South Carolina

Dear Dr. Spears:

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I hope very much that you will let me know that your name may be presented.

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Sincerely yours,

Leslie W. Dunbar

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bcc: Paul Christopher

If you feel that you would like to, please add your good word to this invitation.

October 22, 1962

Mr. A. J. Wagner
Tennessee Valley Authority
Knoxville, Tennessee

Dear Mr. Wagner:

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October 23, 1962

Mr. Clifford J. Durr
17 Molton Street Bldg.
Montgomery 4, Alabama

Dear Mr. Durr:

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Leslie W. Dunbar

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October 23, 1962

Dr. Samuel Proctor, ~~President~~
Peace Corps
Nigeria

Dear Sam:

One of the hard tasks which the Nominating Committee faces each year, made necessary by our By-laws, is the dropping of a handful of members to make room in Council membership for new persons. You are a member of the Class of 1962, and as such your membership expires this year. Because you are out of the country, the Nominating Committee could very conveniently have used that fact to make one of its choices, by failing to renominate you, until you returned home.

I thought you might like to know that the Nominating Committee felt such high regard for you that it did not do so, and even though you will be away your name will be placed next month in nomination for election to the Class of 1966. I might add that the staff, and I in particular, was heartily pleased by this decision.

For your information, the Nominating Committee consisted of Irving C. Carlyle of Winston-Salem (chairman), Dr. Luther H. Foster of Tuskegee, Rabbi Charles Mantinband of Hattisburg, Miss., Dr. Raymond Wheeler of Charlotte, and Thomas W. Young of Norfolk.

Let us hear from you occasionally. We are asking the College to forward this letter and to give us your present address.

Sincerely yours,

LWD:A

Leslie W. Dunbar

Nom. Comm

October 31, 1962

Professor Robert J. Harris
Department of Political Science
Vanderbilt University
Nashville, Tennessee

Dear Bob:

I have heard that you are either about to go, or have gone, to an exalted position at Virginia. I hope that the northward trek, which started in Baton Rouge and went to Nashville and now to Charlottesville, will have stopped. Upward, but no more onward.

This seems to be about the time of the year that I write to you; this year's communication is a bit different and one even more pleasant for me to write. I am directed by the Nominating Committee of the Council to request your permission to place your name before the Annual Meeting of the Council next month for nomination for Council membership.

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Sincerely yours,

Leslie W. Dunbar

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Nominating Committee

November 2, 1962

Mr. Aubrey J. Wagner
Chairman of the Board
Tennessee Valley Authority
Knoxville, Tennessee

Dear Mr. Wagner:

Thank you for your letter of October 29 and your most kind remarks about the Council. It may surprise you that I say it, but I think you are wise not to accept membership as long as you are in your present position. People's judgements about this differ, but I personally am inclined to the same opinion that you are, that governmental servants do well to refrain from participation in organizations with a committed view in a current controversy. The Nominating Committee did want to ask you, however, because of the very considerable respect which it had learned for you. We shall regard you as one of us in spirit and if we can ever provide any service for you or the TVA please let me know.

With best regards,

Sincerely yours,

LWD:A

Leslie W. Dunbar

TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY

KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE

CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD

October 29, 1962

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Dunbar:

I was both surprised and pleased to receive your October 22 letter asking permission to place my name before the Annual Meeting of the Council in nomination for membership. As I have understood the Council's work, I have admired and respected the balance and judgment with which it has approached one of the most difficult problems of the Southern Region.

Because of this, my personal wishes would be to say that you may place my name in nomination. However, the requirements on the TVA Chairmanship are such that it has generally been felt within TVA that its Chairman should not accept outside assignments to Boards, Commissions, or similar groups. There are, I believe, sound reasons for such a policy and I feel I should not depart from it in this case.

At the same time, I want to assure you of my sympathetic interest in the Council's work to promote better understanding among the people of the South.

Sincerely,

Aubrey J. Wagner
Chairman

PAW
MA-file

CLIFFORD J. DURR
ATTORNEY AT LAW
311 MONTGOMERY STREET
MONTGOMERY 4, ALABAMA

November 2, 1962

Dr. Leslie W. Dunbar
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Dunbar:

I appreciate very much being nominated for membership on the Council but I am afraid it is an obligation which I cannot take on at this time.

Please express to the members of the Council, and in particular to James McBride Dabbs, how much I thank them for asking me to join them. I am sorry I cannot do so.

With warm regards and best wishes, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Clifford J. Durr

Clifford J. Durr

CJD/vfd

BCC: Heslip Lee

If you feel that you would like to, please add your good word to this invitation.

November 5, 1962

Dr. Edward Haddock
1133 West Franklyn St.
Richmond, Virginia

Dear Dr. Haddock:

I am directed by the Nominating Committee of the Council to request your permission to place your name before the Annual Meeting of the Council this month for nomination for Council membership.

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Sincerely yours,

Leslie W. Dunbar

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November 7, 1962

Mr. Moreland G. Smith
1236 Bankhead Avenue
Montgomery 6, Alabama

Dear Mr. Smith:

Thank you for your letter of November 5. I am deeply pleased myself that you are willing to serve on the Council. I am sure that the nomination will be heartily received and that Mr. Dabbs will be notifying you shortly after the meeting of your election to the Class of 1966.

It is not our practice to make any public announcement of elections to membership, and so I think you need have no problem. We have customarily given our membership list when asked for it, but do not otherwise publicize it.

I am enclosing a list of the present members, together with two statements of the Council's purpose and aims.

With best wishes to Mrs. Smith and Moreland, Jr., and very best wishes for your daughter and her wedding.

Sincerely yours,

LWD:A

Leslie W. Dunbar

MORELAND GRIFFITH SMITH
3236 BANKHEAD AVENUE
MONTGOMERY 6, ALABAMA

November 5, 1962

Dr. Leslie Dunbar
5 Forsyth Street
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Dr. Dunbar:

It is a great honor to me to be asked to serve on the board of the Southern Regional Council. This is the work that is closest to my heart, and I look forward to doing what little I can to be of service.

I have one request, which I do not like to make, but which seems prudent in the light of the situation in Alabama. I would appreciate it if any public announcement of my appointment could be withheld until after the first of the year. Marjorie and I do not mind for ourselves, but our daughter is having a large wedding just after Christmas. We would not like for anything to mar this happy occasion, if possible.

Looking forward to seeing you in the near future, and with best wishes, I am,

Sincerely,

Moreland

Moreland Griffith Smith

EDWARD E. HADDOCK, M. D.
1133 WEST FRANKLIN STREET
RICHMOND 20, VIRGINIA

Nom. Comm.

November 9, 1962

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Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Dunbar:

In response to your request of November 5, to place my name in nomination for Council Membership, I am very pleased to allow you to do so. I have long admired the high standards for which the Council has existed during my knowledge of it. I shall be pleased to serve in any way possible.

Sincerely yours,

Edw. E. Haddock

Edward E. Haddock, M. D.

EEH:enb

PAV
MA-file

Rem. Comm

COLUMBIA COLLEGE
FOUNDED 1854
COLUMBIA, S. C.

Office of the President

November 9, 1962

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar, Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Dunbar:

Thank you for your gracious letter of October 22. I apologize for this great delay in getting an answer to you but I have been out of my office a great deal recently.

I am honored to be thought of in connection with membership on the Council but I find it necessary to decline simply because I have committed my time and thought to a number of organizations already and feel that I ought to concentrate my energies upon these.

You will please understand my predicament. It may be at some later date if you still feel that I could perform a service for the Southern Regional Council, I would be interested in having a similar invitation from you. Just at this time, however, I think it wise to use the time which I can allocate for the Christian Action Council of South Carolina and for the Board of Christian Social Concerns of the Methodist Church, as well as several other similar organizations.

Be sure of my gratitude for your thoughtfulness in asking me.

Sincerely,

R. Wright Spears

R. Wright Spears
President

RWS/mb

VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY
NASHVILLE 5 TENNESSEE

Department of Political Science

13 November 1962

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Leslie:

Thanks very much for your letter of October 31 which arrived just after I had gone to the hospital for some surgery which turned out to be not at all serious. I am intending to move from Nashville to Charlottesville, Virginia in June of next year to assume the position of Dean of the Faculty of Arts and Sciences at the University of Virginia. Whether this is upward, or even outward, I will leave to others.

I am, of course, delighted that the nominating committee has seen fit to nominate me to membership in the Council and I am pleased to accept.

With all best wishes, I am,

Cordially yours,

Bob

Robert J. Harris

RJH:CA

Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary
AN AGENCY OF THE SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION
Wake Forest, North Carolina

Dec. 3, 1962.

EDWARD A. McDOWELL
PROFESSOR OF NEW
TESTAMENT INTERPRETATION

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar,
Executive Secretary,
Southern Regional Council,
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Mr. Dunbar:

I thank you for your good letter of November 29.

It is quite all right that I was not re-elected to membership on the Council. For the past several years I have been quite inactive and it is only right that places be made on the Council for new people who can give time and thought to the work of the Council. It so happens that the meetings of the Council usually come at a time when our state conventions are meeting, and it is often necessary for seminary professors to attend one or more of these meetings. I regret that I did not get to attend the last two meetings of the Council, the one last year on this account. As you may know I was a member of the old Interracial Commission and a charter member of the Council and I shall always be very grateful for the privilege of knowing and working with the fine people who were members of these organizations. I think I may claim to have done one constructive thing and that is to have suggested Marion Wright for membership - at least this is my "dim" recollection. And believe it or not Jessie Daniel Ames came to me when the Council was formed and asked me if I would serve as the first chairman. I had sense enough to refuse and Howard Odum was persuaded to take the job, and that of course was the most fortunate thing that could have happened at that time! It has been wonderful to see the Council grow in power and influence and I have been much pleased with its development. Sadly I must take note of the fact I may have been the only Southern Baptist minister to hold membership on the Council the past few years - and our denomination now numbers almost 10 million people, most of whom live in the South.

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I am deeply grateful for the honor of being elected as a Life Fellow of the Council. I shall treasure this honor all of my remaining days.

Very sincerely yours,

Edward A. McDowell

Edward A. McDowell

LWD
MA-file

EDWARD E. HADDOCK, M. D.
1133 WEST FRANKLIN STREET
RICHMOND 20, VIRGINIA

December 11, 1962

Mr. James M. Dabbs, President
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Dabbs:

I am pleased to learn of my election to membership in the Class of 1966 of the Southern Regional Council. Also, I appreciate your enclosure of certain documents about the Council.

Sincerely yours,

Edward E. Haddock

Edward E. Haddock, M. D.

EEH:enb

original sent to Mr. Dabbs

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Mrs. Moise S. Cahn
Forty Versailles Boulevard
New Orleans 15, Louisiana

December 11, 1962

Mr. James M. Dabbs

Southern Regional Council
Rip Raps Plantation
Mayesville, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Dabbs:

When I was asked to consider membership on the Board of the Southern Regional Council I agreed with allacrity to serve if elected. Actually through my interests in the establishment of Sa ve Our Schools and the Community Relations Council of New Orleans I have had a great deal of personal contact with the Council through Paul Rilling. These two groups have leaned heavily on Paul for guidance and direction over the past few years.

I am delighted to work on the board, and I trust that I can make some smal l contribution to it because of my experiences in these and related fields.

In the event you do not remember me, I lunched with you standing at a counter at the Chicago Airport after we had left the Urban League Conference in Grand Rapids.

Best wishes for the holiday season.

Cordially yours,

Gladys T. Cahn

Mrs. Moise S. Cahn

MA

December 12, 1962

Mr. James M. Dabbs
Rip Raps Plantation
Mayesville, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Dabbs:

It is a great pleasure for me to accept appointment to the Southern Regional Council Board for the Class of 1966.

I have had a long and abiding interest in the work of this great organization and consider it a fine privilege to serve on the Board.

We enjoyed your visit to Alabama last year.

Cordially,

NW/w Nat Welch
~~Blind~~ copy: Les Dunbar

Les
I'm looking forward to working with you.
Nat

Virginia Teachers Association

VTA
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RICHMOND 19, VIRGINIA
MILTON 3-1954

H. A. MARSHALL, PRESIDENT
J. RUPERT PICOTT, EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

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December 13, 1962

Mr. James M. Dabbs, President
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Rip Raps Plantation
Mayesville, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Dabbs:

Thank you so very much for your letter of the seventh informing me of election to membership in the class of 1966. This is a high honor which I am happy to accept.

The documents which you also enclosed were most interesting. I have read them carefully. I promise to try to serve satisfactorily and shall await your further suggestions.

Cordially,

Rufus H. Picott

Executive Secretary

J. Rufus Picott (?)

JRP:mjb

To be noted for SRC files, and to be officially acknowledged: [illegible]
See [illegible]

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PHONE: OFFICE FR 5-4514

WILLIAM H. TOWNSEND, O.D.
616 1-2 WEST 9TH STREET, RAINES BLDG.
LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS

PHONE: RES. FR 5-6301

December 13, 1962

Mr. James M. Dabbs
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, NW
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Dabbs:

This is to acknowledge your recent letter which indicated that the Southern Regional Council elected me to membership in the class of 1966. This is an honor for me to be invited to serve in this capacity. I accept to serve in this manner and pledge to carry out the responsibilities attached thereto. I am grateful to all concern for this opportunity and I shall look forward for a closer fellowship and working relationship with all persons concerned.

Respectfully yours,

William H. Townsend, O.D.

William H. Townsend, O. D.

WHT:fmg

VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY
NASHVILLE 5 TENNESSEE

Department of Political Science

14 December 1962

Mr. James M. Dabbs
Rip Raps Plantation
Mayesville, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Dabbs:

Thank you very much for your letter of December 7 and the enclosures. You are correct that I have indicated to Leslie Dunbar that I would accept membership in the Southern Regional Council if elected. I am pleased to inform you in a more formal manner that I am accepting membership in the Council, and am most gratified at my election to it.

With all best wishes, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Robert J. Harris

Robert J. Harris

RJH/ca

For SRC file, etc.
L.W.D.

PHILANDER SMITH COLLEGE
ROOSEVELT D. CROCKETT, President
LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS

December 19, 1962

Mr. James M. Dabbs, President
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Five Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Dabbs:

I accept with pleasure and a sense of challenge the appointment given to me to the Board of the Southern Regional Council, Class of 1966. I pledge the Board my fullest support, because I believe in the methodology and in the goals set by the Southern Regional Council.

The materials about the Council that you sent me will be read with seriousness and will, of course, serve to prepare me in a fuller way for the responsibilities which will now be mine.

Sincerely yours,

Roosevelt D. Crockett

Roosevelt D. Crockett
President

RDC:rw

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415 NORTH FARISH STREET
JACKSON 2, MISSISSIPPI
Fleetwood 3-2377

DECEMBER 22, 1962

MR. JAMES M. DABBS, PRESIDENT
SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
RIP RAPS PLANTATION
MAYESVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA

DEAR MR. DABBS:

THIS ACKNOWLEDGES WITH APPRECIATION MY ACCEPTANCE TO MEMBERSHIP IN THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INCORPORATED CLASS OF 1966.

MAY THE BLESSINGS OF THE NEW YEAR BE YOURS AND UPON YOUR WORK.

CORDIALLY YOURS,

Clarie Collins Harvey
MRS. MARTIN L. HARVEY

MLH
JRT

For SRC files, etc.
J.M.D.

ATTACHMENT C

REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE TO THE ANNUAL MEETING
1962

The Nominating Committee of the Southern Regional Council for 1962 consists of Mr. Irving Carlyle, Dr. Luther H. Foster, Rabbi Charles Mantinband, Dr. Raymond Wheeler, and Mr. Thomas Young.

On September 6, 1962 this Committee met to select nominees for officers and members of the Council. Last year this body, by resolution, requested that the Nominating Committee take into account the participation of potential members in state councils on human relations. We are pleased to report that the great majority of those persons who will be recommended to you today have been active in this area.

By unanimous vote, the Committee adopted the following slate of nominees to be presented at the Annual Meeting of the Council:

Officers

President	James McBride Dabbs
Vice Presidents	Rufus E. Clement Albert W. Dent Miss Josephine Wilkins Marion A. Wright

Nominating Committee for 1963
(two additional members appointed by Executive Committee)

Irving Carlyle
Luther Foster
Charles Mantinband

Executive Committee
(in addition to the President, Vice Presidents and Counsel)

Paul R. Christopher
John A. Griffin
Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton
John P. Nelson, Jr.
John H. Wheeler
Raymond Wheeler
H. Franklin Williams
Stephen J. Wright
Thomas W. Young

Members

Members of Class of 1962, re-elected to Class of 1966

Benjamin E. Mays
Francis Pickens Miller
L. D. Milton
Riley B. Montgomery
Samuel Proctor
Mrs. J. N. Rayzor
J. M. Richards
Harry V. Richardson
Rabbi Jacob Rothschild
Miss Dorcas Ruthenburg
Walter Sharp
Charles A. Shaw
Courtney Siceloff
The Rt. Rev. Msgr. Alexander O. Sigur
J. Ray Shute
The Rev. Theodore R. Gibson

For vacancy in Class of 1965 (to replace Dr. Arthur Gray)

Mrs. Moise Cahn - New Orleans

New Members to Class of 1966

~~Roosevelt D. Crockett -~~ Little Rock, Ark.
Edward Haddock, M.D. - Richmond, Va.
Mrs. Martin Harvey - Jackson, Miss.
Robert J. Harris - Nashville, Tenn.
~~John G. Lewis - Baton Rouge, La.~~
J. Rupert Picott - Richmond, Va.
William H. Townsend - Little Rock, Ark.
Nat Welch - Auburn, Ala.
~~Moreland G. Smith - Montgomery, Ala.~~

ATTACHMENT D

Resolution

The ship sailing out of the harbor bound for distant shores is soon lost to view beyond the horizon, but it sails on. The sun which so recently shone in its meridian splendour is so soon hidden behind the hills of the solemn west, but it shines on. So those we love and lose a while live on in that Great Beyond and in the labours and in the memories of their comrades in the great struggle to make this a better world. So lives Dr. P. Bernard Young, whose recent passing fills us with profound sorrow and with reverential concern. Dr. Young was one of the moving and effective figures who helped to shape events which surrounded the genesis of our great Southern Regional Council.

He was chairman of the historic Durham Conference which eventuated into the Atlanta and Richmond Conferences which eventuated into the Southern Regional Council. Without the great influence of Dr. Young and his ably edited Journal & Guide, the Durham Conference would not have come to pass. This Council will remember Dr. Young with a reverential gratitude born of the knowledge that in him we have lost one of our illustrious founders and stalwart supporters.

Be it resolved that this Council, in annual session assembled on November 20, 1962, subscribe the sentiments as our humble but grateful tribute to him who was in spirit and in deed our great benefactor; and that a copy of this resolution be tendered the family.

ATTACHMENT E

Resolution

The Southern Regional Council, at annual meeting assembled on November 20, 1962, pauses in its deliberations to pay special tribute to the memory of George Sinclair Mitchell and to his years of devoted and inspiring leadership of this body.

The South and the nation are richer because of his many contributions to a fuller recognition of the dignity of all men.

He was prophet and poet, and more; he was a creative, imaginative man who saw a vision of a more democratic South wherein the false barriers of the past would no longer hinder any man from attaining a good education, a rewarding job, and a decent home.

We are all poorer at his loss. But this Council and the work it does is a living testimony to him. So long as men strive for freedom, so long as they revere liberty, the name of George Mitchell and the memory of the man will never die.

ATTACHMENT F

Resolution

The Members of the Southern Regional Council, meeting in annual session in Atlanta on November 19, 1962, note with sorrow and regret the recent loss to the world of Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt.

No American in this century has made so great a contribution to the cause of equality and human dignity. Mrs. Roosevelt abhorred any form of racial or religious prejudice. For over thirty years she labored unceasingly against intolerance and injustice: in the South, in the nation, throughout the world. The Universal Declaration on Human Rights of the United Nations is a lasting memorial to her concern for man.

Mrs. Roosevelt was a strong ally of those Southerners who are striving for the elimination of discrimination and segregation in the South. She will be sorely missed.

Nom. Comm. 1962

MEMO TO BC
FROM MA

RE NEW BOARD MEMBERS OF SRC

Letter from Mr. Dobbs 12-7-62 on A

1966

✓✓ Dr. Roosevelt D. Crockett
President
Philander Smith College
Little Rock, Ark.

✓✓ Dr. Edward E Haddock
1133 West Franklin St.
Richmond 20, Va.

✓✓ Mrs. Martin Harvey
Service by Collins
415 N. Farish St.
Jackson 2, Miss.

✓✓ Professor Robert J. Harris
Dept. of Political Science
Vanderbilt University
Nashville, Tenn.

✓✓ Mr. John G. Lewis
P. O. Box 2110
Baton Rouge, La.

✓✓ Dr. J. Rupert Picott
316 Clay St.,
Richmond, Va.

✓✓ Dr. William H. Townsend
507 W. 31st St.
Little Rock, ~~xxxx~~, Ark.

✓✓ Mr. Nat Welch
342 Hare Avenue
Auburn, Ala.

✓✓ Mr. Moreland G. Smith
3236 Bankhead Avenue
Montgomery 6, Ala.

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1965

to replace Dr. Arthur Gray

✓ Mrs. Moise Cahn
40 Versailles Blvd.
New Orleans, La.

DATA SHEET ON NEW MEMBERS

Roosevelt D. Crockett - President Philander Smith College, Little Rock, Ark.

Mrs. Moise Cahn - Former president, National Council of Jewish Women, New Orleans, La.

Edward Haddock - Richmond. Member of state senate and former Mayor of Richmond.

Mrs. Martin Harvey - Prominent Methodist churchwoman; founder and president, Womanpower Unlimited of Jackson, Miss.

Robert J. Harris - Political scientist, Vanderbilt University. In June, 1963 becomes Dean of Faculty of Arts and Sciences, University of Virginia.

John G. Lewis. Fraternal Leader and businessman of Baton Rouge, La.

J. Rupert Picott - Executive secretary, Virginia Teachers Ass'n.

William H. Townsend - Optometrist; recent candidate for city commission, Little Rock, Ark.

Nat Welch - Businessman, Auburn, Ala.

Moreland Smith - Architect, Montgomery, Ala.

Dabbs stationery

Dear

Class 1965

At its annual meeting in Atlanta on November 19, the Southern Regional Council elected you to membership in the Class of 1966. I have great pleasure in informing you of this.

I hope that you will find Council membership to be as satisfying and rewarding as others of us have. I believe that the Council performs an ever greater service to the region and the nation.

Enclosed with this letter are certain documents about the Council which you will want to have as a member.

I believe that you have already informally indicated that you would accept membership if elected; we would be grateful, however, if you would acknowledge this letter so that the formalities might be complete.

With every good wish, and looking forward to our association with you,

Sincerely yours,

JMD:A

James M. Dabbs

D. K. A.

MJ - file - Board

SHERLOCK, SMITH & ADAMS
INCORPORATED
ARCHITECTS AND ENGINEERS
P. O. DRAWER 630 MONTGOMERY 1, ALABAMA

5 Januray 1963

Mrs. Montez G. Albright
Administrative Assistant
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mrs. Albright:

Reference is made to your letter of 2 January. I apologize for being so much trouble. Actually I was under the impression that I had written a formal acceptance. However, since you do not have one in the files, this will serve that purpose.

It is with a great deal of pleasure that I accept the Council membership and I shall be glad to be of any assistance that I am able to be. Looking forward to working with you, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Moreland Griffith Smith

Moreland Griffith Smith
3236 Bankhead Avenue
Montgomery 6, Alabama

HcF

Board Suggestions

Paul Rilling suggestions:

VA.

Mr. David Scull (White)
Turnpike Press
Annandale, Virginia
(Businessman; former State Department employee; member, Bd. of Directors, Nationwide Ins. Company; internationally active in human rights area - with Quakers; well-known nationally and influential in the Washington area.)

The Rev. Virgil Wood (Negro)
Lynchburg, Virginia
(Member, Bd. of the VCHR; local chairman, NAACP; local chairman, Lynchburg Council on H.R.; although fairly young, has emerged as the major Negro spokesman in his part of Virginia; has been instrumental in organizing and manning unified Negro organization and protest activity.)

ALA.

The Rev. Joseph Lowery (Negro)
Mobile,
Alabama
(Methodist minister; member Ala. Council on H. R.; vice-chairman, Southern Leadership Conference; able long-time leader of Mobile Negro community - largely responsible for effective political organization there; has won a number of advances in the Mobile area through responsible, skillful negotiation.)

Mr. or Mrs. Clifford Durr (White)
Montgomery,
Alabama
(He is an attorney; former member of Fed. Communications Commission; has been active as attorney for many victims of violence and intimidation around Montgomery; She is key worker in Montgomery Council on H. R. and is active in church and civic circles.)

FLA.

Bill Williams suggestions

Mrs. Heurine Banks (Negro)
Dean of Women
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida
(Highly influential in Negro circles on a state-wide level; member, State board, Florida Council on H. R.; has travelled abroad under State Dept. auspices.)

ARK.

Nat Griswold suggestions:

Mrs. Gordon McNeil (White)
69 Grey Street
Fayetteville, Ark.
(Faculty wife; active in state League of Women Voters and other civic groups; author of book, in preparation, on race and children)

Nat Griswold- continued

ARK.

Atty. Wiley Branton (Negro)
119 E. Barratue Street
Pine Bluff, Ark.
(Chairman, Legal Redress Committee; State NAACP; legal advisor, Arkansas Council on H. R.)

Mrs. John Samuels (White)
Little Rock,
Arkansas
(Staff director, Women's Emergency Committee; extremely influential in white moderate and liberal circles; has political influence.)

Dr. Lewis M. K. Long (White)
Donaghue Building
Little Rock, Ark.
(Practicing Psychologist; author of ADL pamphlet, in preparation, on the Little Rock situation; active member Little Rock Council on Human Relations.)

Mr. James E. Youngdahl (White)
Tower Building
Little Rock, Ark.
(Labor attorney; law partner with Sid McMath; active in Ark. Council on H. R.; formerly worked with DanPollitt on legal research projects in Little Rock.)

BY-LAWS*

of the

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

ARTICLE I. NAME, AREA, AND PURPOSES

Section 1. Name

The name of this organization shall be the Southern Regional Council, Incorporated. The terms "Council" or "Corporation" used hereafter in these by-laws shall mean the "Southern Regional Council, Incorporated."

Section 2. Area

For the purposes of this Corporation the Southern Region shall be defined as embracing the States of Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, and Virginia. All members of the Corporation shall be residents of this area. This area may be increased or reduced at any annual meeting of the members as hereinafter defined.

Section 3. Purposes

The purposes of the Southern Regional Council are to exist and function as an eleemosynary organization, and more particularly to organize and maintain a Regional Council and to cooperate with like State organizations in the Southern Region for the improvement of economic, civic, and racial conditions, in the endeavor to promote a greater unity in the South in all efforts towards regional and racial development; to attain through research and action programs the ideals and practices of equal opportunity for all peoples in the region; to reduce racial tension, the basis of racial tension, racial misunderstanding, and racial distrust; to develop and integrate leadership in the South on new levels of regional development and fellowship; and to cooperate with local, state, regional, and national agencies on all levels in the attainment of the desired objectives. The Council shall not engage in carrying on propaganda or otherwise attempt to influence legislation nor engage in any form of political activities.

ARTICLE II. MEMBERS

Section 1. Members

A. The members of the Corporation shall be not more than 100 or less than 64 persons, hereafter called members.

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* Amended version, approved by the full Council, November 8-9, 1961.

B. A member shall hold office for the four years or until he shall have resigned, died, or been removed in the manner provided by Section 8 of this article. A member may be eligible to succeed himself. In the years 1961 through 1964, there shall be at least ten new members elected each year. Thereafter, there shall be at least five new members elected each year.

C. Successors to members shall, upon expiration of terms or death, resignation, or removal, be elected by all members of the Corporation, at the next meeting, following occurrence of such vacancy; except that, in intervals between annual meetings, the Executive Committee shall be empowered to fill vacancies in the membership of the Council.

Section 2. Notice of Meetings and Membership Rights

A. Notice of the place, day, and hour of every regular and special meeting shall be given to each member not less than ten (10) days before the meeting, by delivering the same to him personally, or sending the same to him by telegraph or telephone or by leaving the same at his last known post office address, according to the records of the Corporation. It shall not be requisite to the validity of any meeting of the Council that notice thereof shall have been received by any member who is present thereat or, if absent, waives notice thereof in writing filed with the records of the meeting either before or after the holding thereof. No notice of any adjourned meeting of the Council need be given.

B. The rights of any member in the Corporation shall not be assignable or transferable, except in the case of proxies, as provided in Section 4 of this article and his rights shall cease with death, resignation, or termination of membership for any cause.

Section 3. Voting

Each member shall have one vote and, except in cases in which it is by the charter or by these by-laws otherwise provided, a majority of the votes cast shall be sufficient to elect and to pass any measure. Voting by mail may be conducted on such questions and in such manner as may be provided by the Executive Committee.

Section 4. Proxies

Any member entitled to vote at any meeting of members may vote either in person or by proxy. All proxies shall be given to members of this body only, and each one shall designate the name of the member who shall act as proxy. Every proxy shall be in writing, subscribed by the member, or his duly authorized attorney, and dated, but need not be sealed, witnessed, or acknowledged. Proxies shall be delivered to

the secretary of the Corporation before such meeting or to the inspectors at the meeting.

Section 5. Annual Meetings

The Corporation shall hold annually a meeting for the election of officers and for the transaction of general business at its principal office in Atlanta at ten o'clock a.m. on the second Wednesday in November in each year, if not a legal holiday, or at such other place and such other time as may be designated by the Executive Committee, provided notice of such meeting, including day, hour, and place, shall be given each member of the Council in writing at least thirty days in advance. Such annual meetings shall be general meetings; that is to say, open for the transaction of any business within the powers of the Corporation without special notice of such business, unless otherwise provided in these by-laws.

Section 6. Special Meetings

At any time in the interval between annual meetings, special meetings may be called by the president or any ten (10) members.

Section 7. Quorum

Fifteen members of the Council shall be necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at every meeting of the members; but if at any meeting there be less than a quorum present, a majority of those present may adjourn the meeting from time to time, but not for a period of over fifteen (15) days at any one time, without notice other than by announcement at the meeting until a quorum shall attend. At any such adjourned meeting at which a quorum shall be present, any business may be transacted which might have been transacted at the meeting as originally notified.

Section 8. Removal

At any meeting called with that purpose stated in the call, any member may, by a majority of the votes cast, be removed from office for cause, and another be appointed in the place of the person so removed to serve for the remainder of his term. Permanent change of residence or citizenship to a point beyond the area, as defined in or pursuant to Article I, Section 2, will automatically terminate the membership of one so changing residence or citizenship.

ARTICLE III. FELLOWS

The Council may award honorary fellowships, not exceeding one hundred (100) in number, to Southerners who have

demonstrated exceptional talent for constructive leadership. Fellows shall be chosen in such manner as the Council may prescribe, provided they are well distributed as to race, sex, creed, occupation, and place of residence. The duties of fellows shall be to cooperate with the Council as observers, advisers, correspondents, and special representatives. Fellows may receive such honoraria or reimbursement of expenses incurred at the request of the Executive Committee as the Council may direct. The term of a fellowship shall be for two years, unless otherwise provided by the Council, and fellowships may be renewed or withdrawn at the discretion of the Council. Fellows need not be members of the Corporation.

ARTICLE IV. COMMITTEES

Section 1. Executive Committee

The Council shall provide for an Executive Committee of not more than nine (9) members in addition to the president and vice-presidents, treasurer and counsel. The Executive Committee shall serve during the pleasure of the Council and may be discharged and the Committee abolished at any time by the Council. Unless one of the members shall have been designated as chairman by the Council, the Executive Committee shall elect a chairman from its own number. During the intervals between the meetings of the Council the Executive Committee shall possess and may exercise all the powers of the Corporation, conferred by these by-laws or the charter of the Corporation, in all cases in which specific directions shall not have been given by the Council. The Executive Committee shall keep full and fair accounts of its transactions. All action by the Executive Committee shall be reported to the Council at its meeting next succeeding such action, and shall be subject to revision and alterations by the Council; provided that no rights or third persons shall be affected by any such revision or alteration. Vacancies in the Executive Committee shall be filled by the Council or the Executive Committee itself during the interim between the Council meetings. All vacancies shall be filled from among members of the Council.

Section 2. Meetings of Executive Committee

The Executive Committee shall fix its own rules of procedure, and shall meet as provided by such rules or by resolution of the Council, and it shall also meet at the call of the chairman or of any three members of the Committee. A quorum of the Executive Committee shall consist of not less than five (5) members of the Committee. If necessary, members of the Executive Committee may by written notice appoint a proxy from among the members of the Council to attend and vote on behalf of such members.

Section 3. National Advisory Committee

The Council may establish a National Advisory Committee,

composed of persons who reside outside the area of the Southern Regional Council and who are sympathetic with the aims and policies of the Council, whose purpose shall be to advise the Council on matters pertaining to its work.

Section 4. Nominating Committee

There shall be a Nominating Committee of not less than five (5) members. Three members shall be elected by the Council from its membership at its annual meeting. Two members shall be appointed by the joint action of the President and the Executive Committee. The Nominating Committee shall meet not less than thirty (30) days before the annual meeting for the purpose of nominating: 1) members of the Council, 2) officers of the Council, 3) members of the Executive Committee, and 4) three members of the succeeding Nominating Committee. As provided in Article II, Section 1-B, the Nominating Committee shall include the names of at least five new persons in its slate of nominees; at least ten in the years 1961-64.

Section 5. Other Committees

The Council may by resolution provide for such other standing or special committees as it deems desirable and may discontinue the same at pleasure. Each such committee shall have such powers and perform such duties, not inconsistent with these by-laws, as may be assigned to it by the Council. If provision be made for any such committee, the members thereof shall be appointed by the Council. Vacancies in such committees shall be filled by the Council or by such committee or officer as the Council may authorize to fill such vacancies.

ARTICLE V. OFFICERS

Section 1. Executive Officers

The executive officers of the Corporation shall be a president; one or more vice-presidents, not to exceed four; an executive director; one or more assistant directors, a secretary, and a treasurer. The president, vice-presidents, and treasurer shall be chosen from among the members of the Corporation. The executive director, assistant directors, and secretary shall not be members of the Corporation. The offices of secretary and treasurer may be held by the same person, in which case the secretary-treasurer shall not be a member of the Corporation. The president and vice-presidents shall be elected annually by the Council. The executive director and assistant directors, secretary-treasurer, and counsel shall be subject to confirmation annually by the Council, upon the recommendation of the Executive Committee. Officers shall hold office until the corresponding meeting in the next year, and until their successors shall have been fully chosen and qualified, or until they shall have resigned or shall have been removed, in the manner provided in Article

II, Section 8. Any vacancy in any of the above offices shall be filled for the unexpired portion of the term by the Council, at any regular or special meeting.

Section 2. President

The president of the Corporation shall serve as chairman of the Council. He shall, when present, preside at all meetings of the Council, and he shall perform such other duties as, from time to time, may be assigned to him by the Council.

Section 3. First Vice-President

At the request of the president, or in his absence or disability, the first vice-president shall perform all the duties of the president; and when so acting shall have the powers of the president; and shall perform such other duties as, from time to time, may be assigned to him by the Council.

Section 4. Additional Vice-Presidents

Each additional vice-president, if any, shall perform the duties of the office in order of his rank and shall have such powers and perform such duties as may be assigned to him by the Council.

Section 5. Executive Director

The executive director shall be charged with the execution of the program and policies of the Council as defined by the Council, and shall be responsible directly to the Council. He shall have general charge and supervision of the employed personnel of the Council, he may sign and execute, in the name of the Corporation, all authorized deeds, mortgages, bonds, contracts, or other instruments, except in cases in which the signing and execution thereof shall have been expressly delegated to some other officer or agent of the Corporation; and he shall perform such other duties as, from time to time, may be assigned to him by the Executive Committee or by the Council.

Section 6. Assistant Directors

The assistant directors shall work in cooperation with the executive director in the administration of the program and policies of the Council. In the absence or disability of the executive director, one of the assistant directors will be designated by the executive director, or by the executive committee, to perform, temporarily, the duties of executive director.

Section 7. Secretary

The secretary shall keep the minutes of the meetings of

the Council and of the Executive Committee, in books provided for the purpose; he shall see that all notices are duly given in accordance with the provisions of these by-laws, or as required by law; he shall be custodian of the records and of the corporate seal or seals of the Corporation; he shall see that the corporate seal is affixed to all documents, the execution of which, on behalf of the Corporation, under its seal, is duly authorized, and when so affixed my attest the same; and, in general, he shall perform all duties incident to the office of a secretary of a corporation, and such other duties as, from time to time, may be assigned him by the Council or by the by-laws.

Section 8. Treasurer

The treasurer shall have charge of and be responsible for all funds, securities, receipts and disbursements of the Corporation, and shall deposit, or cause to be deposited, in the name of the Corporation, all monies or other valuable effects in such banks, trust companies, or other depositories as shall, from time to time, be selected by the Council; he shall render to the president and to the Council annually, and at other times whenever requested, an account of the financial condition of the Corporation; and, in general, shall perform all duties incident to the office of a treasurer of a corporation, and such other duties as may be assigned to him by the Council.

Section 8-A. Secretary-Treasurer

All or some of the duties contained in Sections 7 and 8 may be assigned to one person. This person will be designated Secretary-Treasurer.

Section 9. Controller

The office of controller may be created by the Council, and the duties and authority of such officer shall be fixed by the Council.

Section 10. Counsel

The duties and authority of counsel shall be fixed by the Council, and he shall be a member of the Council, by virtue of his office.

ARTICLE VI. AMENDMENTS

These by-laws, or any of them, may be altered or repealed, and new by-laws may be adopted at any annual meeting of the members, or at any special meeting called for that purpose, by the vote of a majority of the members represented in person or by proxy and entitled to vote thereat, provided that such proposed change has been submitted to the membership at least thirty (30) days prior to the meeting.

MEMORANDUM January 19, 1961

TO: BC

FROM: MF

Please see that the following board people are put on stencils :

The Rev. M. LaFayette Harris
Residing Bishop
The Methodist Church
250 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia

The Rev. John E. Hines
520 San Jacinto Street
Houston 2, Texas

Colonel Francis Pickens Miller
P. O. Box 3665
University Station
Charlottesville, Virginia

New members

(Dr. Frank Graham
(The United Nations
(New York, New York
(
(Dr. Douglas Jackson
(Perkins School of Theology
(Southern Methodist University
(Dallas 5, Texas
(
(Mr. Wiley A. Branton
(~~444~~ 119 East Barraque Street
(Pine Bluff, Arkansas
(
(Mrs. Charles White
(2410 Truxillo Avenue
(Houston, Texas

INTERDENOMINATIONAL THEOLOGICAL CENTER
STATION G BOX 6583
ATLANTA 15, GEORGIA
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

January 20, 1961

Mr. Harold C. Fleming
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsythe Street
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Fleming:

Please extend this invitation to the members of your staff.

We hope they will be able to come.

Sincerely,

Harry V. Richardson

Harry V. Richardson
President

CLASS OF SERVICE

This is a fast message unless its deferred character is indicated by the proper symbol.

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W. P. MARSHALL, PRESIDENT

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February 6, 1961

Reverend Duncan Hunter
The Methodist Church
Huntsville District
1009 Westmoreland Avenue
Hnntsville, Alabama

Dear Duncan:

You were thoughtful to let us know in advance of your inability to make the Executive Committee meeting last week. It was an exceptionally good meeting, although your participation was sorely missed. No one has been more faithful than you in service or attendance, and there is no disposition on anyone's part to peplace you.

My best regards.

Sincerely,

Harold C. Fleming
Executive Director

HCF/mf

The Methodist Church

Huntsville District

1009 Westmoreland Ave.

HUNTSVILLE, ALABAMA

DUNCAN HUNTER
District Superintendent

Phone JE 6-1526

Jan. 31, 1961

Dear Harold:

a called meeting of the Cabinet of the North Alabama Conference of the Methodist Church on Thursday will make it impossible for me to attend the SRC meeting in Atlanta. I am very sorry. My record of attendance was almost 100% until I was assigned to this position. In the light of this, you may want to put someone in my place on the Board.

yours,

Duncan

February 7, 1961

Mr. Paul Green
The Statler Hilton Hotel
New York, New York

Dear Paul:

You were most thoughtful to write me about the New York Times treatment. I'm conforted by your view that the personal puff I received -- quite unexpectedly -- is good for the cause.

The report to the President has had greater impact so far than we dared hope -- not only in the press, but in its evident serious readership within the new administration. It gives one hope.

My very best regards, and appreciation

As ever,

Harold C. Fleming
Executive Director

HCF/mf

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Dear Harold —

I was delighted to see the fine article in this morning's N.Y. Times about you. This is good for all! Best greetings and regards!

Paul Green

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March 3, 1961

Mr. Harold Fleming
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Harold:

One of the things which has taken a great deal of my time in the last few months is the enclosed brochure. This is being placed in the hands of our Legislators and is aimed at getting them to support our budget request. I thought you might be interested in seeing it.

Sincerely,

John A. Griffin
Director

JAG/gp
Enclosure

Pulaski Heights Christian Church

File

Colbert S. Cartwright, Pastor

Hillcrest and Spruce
Little Rock, Arkansas

March 6, 1961

Mr. John Constable
Southern Regional Council
Room 201
5 Forsyth St., N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear John:

Enclosed is the text of a statement recently issued by Little Rock School Board member Ted Lamb.

I don't know that you would want to publish the whole thing, but he certainly has some good quotes in it. He is a Little Rock advertising and public relations executive.

In any case I thought you would be interested in seeing it.

Sincerely,

Colbert S. Cartwright

Colbert S. Cartwright

April 3, 1961

Reverend W. Carroll Brooke
Box 208
Staunton, Virginia

Dear Carroll:

I was sorry that the special meeting of the Executive Committee had to take place on a date that was impossible for you. But I was deeply grateful for your kind letter of March 15.

As you will have seen from the minutes, Les Dunbar was unanimously chosen as the next director. This was the recommendation I could make wholeheartedly and I was very pleased that the members present all shared my feeling that Les will do an outstanding job.

It will be some time before I feel at home in any other setting than this one, and I shall miss the association with you and the others who made these years so pleasant. But I am comforted by the fact that Washington is close. As soon as I get a working base there, I will let you know what it is in the hope that you will visit me soon and often.

Cordially,

Harold C. Fleming
Executive Director

HCF/mf

REV. W. CARROLL BROOKE
POST OFFICE BOX 208
STAUNTON, VIRGINIA

March 15, 1961

Mr. Harold Fleming
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Harold:

When Paul Anthony called me last week concerning your resignation, I was indeed saddened that we would lose you, as I appreciate the fine leadership you have given. I could not help feeling a sense of joy for you if this is what you want to do. The Taconic Foundation will give you a wider association and as you say, you will be able to directly and indirectly aid the S.R.C.

I wish that I could make the meeting on Saturday, however, I have turned thespian and as we are putting on "Murder in the Cathedral" in our parish church, I shall have to assume my part. I would have made every effort to have been present the following Saturday if that had been the date selected.

I am writing Mr. Dabbs, offering several names for suggestion as I feel that this is a serious time to take on new leadership.

You can be assured of my following your new career with the greatest interest and that you will be remembered in my prayers for your success. Washington is my home and if I am there after you are established, I will certainly look you up. Kindest regards.

Faithfully yours,

Carroll Brooke

UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI
CORAL GABLES 46, FLORIDA

OFFICE OF VICE PRESIDENT AND
DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS

April 7, 1961

Dr. Harold C. Fleming
Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N.W., Room 201
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Dr. Fleming,

Thank you for your kind letter of last February. As you can see by the lateness of this reply that business has been heavy.

We are enjoying working with our Cuban neighbors. We certainly have every sort of plea and are trying to establish rapport.

The University of Miami wishes to open its doors to all qualified students. You may or may not know that we have people from 57 countries totalling 463 students. I am now glad that we can admit all American citizens.

Best regards.

Cordially yours,

H. Franklin Williams

H. Franklin Williams
Vice President

HFW:emp

P.S. Good luck in your new assignment. H. F. W

May 18, 1961

Mr. L. D. Milton
President
Citizens Trust Company
212 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Milton:

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With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

PA/mf

May 18, 1961

Mr. L. D. Milton
President
Citizens Trust Company
212 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia

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Paul Anthony
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PA/mf

May 29, 1961

Bishop Joseph Brunini
123 North West Street
Jackson, Mississippi

My dear Bishop Brunini:

I was very glad that you were able to stop in on Thursday of last week and hope that you will get to Atlanta more often in the future.

I was very much struck by your point regarding the need for some form of affiliation of the Mississippi liberals. We shall have to give this some real thought.

Sincerely yours,

Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director

LWD/mf

May 30, 1961

Reverend W. Carroll Brooke
Trinity Episcopal Church
P. O. Box 208
Staunton, Virginia

Dear Mr. Brooke:

Under separate cover we are sending you the requested copy of Benjamin Muse's book.

The date of the next Executive Committee meeting has been set, but I will see that you are promptly informed when a date has been chosen.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

PA/mf

TRINITY CHURCH
Rev. W. Carroll Brooke, Rector
Augusta Parish (Founded 1746)
STAUNTON, VIRGINIA
Post Office Box 208

May 25, 1961

Mr. Paul Anthony
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Paul:

Please send me a copy of Colonel Muse's book, Virginia's Massive Resistance. Enclosed is a check for the discount price.

I would appreciate your letting meknow the date of the next scheduled Executive Committee Meeting so that I may put it on my calendar. I was very sorry to have to miss the last meeting.

Faithfully yours,

Carroll Brooke

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DIVISION OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

June 21, 1961

Dr. Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Dr. Dunbar:

Thank you for the copy of the memorandum which you sent concerning Malin's opinion of "The Federal Executive and Civil Rights" and for the recommendations to the President of the United States.

Sincerely yours,

C. G. Gomillion

C. G. Gomillion
Chairman

CGG:mc

July 17, 1961

Mrs. Grace Hamilton
582 University Place, N. W.
Atlanta 14, Georgia

Dear Grace:

I have neither forgotten our recent conversation nor your letter of June 21. As a matter of fact, the subject which you broached has been and is very much on my mind.

We have, as you know, handled foreign visitors pretty much with our left hand, though I think we have done a passable job. Now that we have Margaret Long with us, she will assume a considerable part of the burden of receiving and guiding these people, which has in the past fallen pretty much on Paul Anthony. So we now ought to be able to do a better job. Whether we should take the further steps of trying to institutionalize, so to speak, our services for foreign visitors, and whether we should in particular provide any special program for Asian and African visitors, I am not sure. I am, however, very dubious that we could get financial assistance to do such a thing, and I know that we could not under our present budget.

Lets keep the idea alive, however. Moreover, I want to do whatever I can to help put your experience and talents to best use in intergroup relations work in the South.

Best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director

LWD/sm

cc - HCF with copy
Grace H's letter

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Best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director

LWD/sm

582 University Place,N.W.
Atlanta 14, Georgia
June 21, 1961

Dear Les :

I have asked Miss Helen Ringe, the director of the International Council for Community Services for International Visitors (COSERV) to send you information about the Council, and to send you its Newsletter.

As SRC's program develops under your leadership, I shall be interested in being considered for a staff position should there be a place in which you think I might be useful..... on eother a full or a part time basis.

The suggestion about SRC developing a service for Asian and African visitors to the Southern region, in cooperation with the State department, occurred to me because of the problems involved in such visits. Many of the agencies which cooperate with the programs in Southern communities are not in a position, as is SRC, to deal with these "problems" as "opportunities". It occurred to me also, that there might be new sources of financial support for such a venture by the SRC, because of the importance of the image of the region received by these visitors to international relations.

With my best wishes always,

Grace T. Hamilton

Grace T. Hamilton

Dr. Leslie Dunbar
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street
Atlanta , Georgia

PENN COMMUNITY SERVICES, INCORPORATED

St. Helena Island — Frogmore, South Carolina

Courtney Siceloff
Director

July 21, 1961

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, NW
Atlanta 3, Ga.

Dear Mr. Dunbar:

Your letter of July 17 to Mr. Siceloff has arrived in his absence. Upon his return July 31 at will receive his attention.

Sincerely,

Bessie B. Middleton

Bessie B. Middleton

Episcopal Diocese of Texas
520 SAN JACINTO STREET
Houston 2, Texas

July 24, 1961

Office of the Bishop

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Dunbar:

Thank you for your letter of July 21 and the information contained in it. I am delighted that you have accepted the responsibility of Executive Director and I look forward to doing anything in my power to aid you in the Council's work.

Faithfully yours,

John E. Hines

JEH/ps

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OFFICE OF
THE PRESIDENT

July 24, 1961

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar
Southern Regional Council
Five Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Leslie:

It was good to have your letter of July 20 reporting on the work of the Council in recent months and projecting the program into the future. I concur in your suggestions and wish you and your associates well as you go forward with this highly important work.

Kind regards.

Sincerely yours,

L. H. Foster
President

LHF:cd

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Board
Graham

26 July 1961

Dear Mr. Dunbar,

Your letter of 21 July has come to Dr. Graham's office. He is at present out to make some talks and then will leave for his vacation. He will not return until early in September.

Sincerely yours,

Daisy F. Lippner

(Mrs.) Daisy F. Lippner
Secretary to Dr. Graham

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar, Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

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DIVISION OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

July 28, 1961

Dr. Leslie W. Dunbar
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Dr. Dunbar:

Thank you for your letter of July 21. I should like to congratulate you on the manner in which you took hold of the Council and have carried on since the beginning. I am sure that under your leadership and supervision that the program of the Council will move forward. I shall endeavor to do whatever I can to contribute to the realization of the objectives of the Council. This would probably be best realized through my work with groups with which I am associated, using the inspiration and information which the Council has given.

Best wishes for continued success.

Sincerely yours,

C. G. Gomillion

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Chairman

CGG:mc

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Southern Re[redacted]
ROOM 432, 63 AUBURN AVE[redacted]A

A Council to attain, through research and action, the ideals and practices of equal opportunity for all peoples in the South.

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
"TOP KNOT"
LINVILLE FALLS, NORTH CAROLINA

INTEROFFICE MEMO

Date August 7, 1961

To: LWD

From: PR

Subject: Comment on Beckwith letter

Naturally I think this is a fine letter. Beckwith was President of the Virginia Council during my tenure as Director and he devoted considerable time and effort to the cause. He was the first Chairman of the Fairfax County Council, which is certainly one of the most effective of the local groups in the South. Coming out of this background and experience he is naturally a strong partisan of the state and local program. He also is the kind who takes board membership seriously and would like to be really involved and useful in our activities.

The Congregational Christian Church
of Fairfax County

P.O. Box 288, Annandale, Virginia

Minister: Hubert S. Beckwith

On Little River Turnpike (Rt. 236) 2 1/4 Miles West of Annandale

Study: CR. 3-5670 Parsonage: CR. 3-1882

TR-comment

7/27/61
Rt. 2, Box 85
Orleans, Vermont.

Dear Leslie:—

A very long-overdue though long-intended congratulations + welcome to the new position as Director of SRC. Personally, I was very much pleased with the choice as I was impressed with your spirit + ability on our meeting the past two years.

Your letter was forwarded here to my vacation spot far from the Southern turmoil (though I preach on prejudice + race here 20 miles from the Canadian border next Sunday!).

I am appreciative of your objective to enlist more participation on the part of the members of the SRC. Although such an organization is primarily staff in its operational aspects, it seems too bad not to utilize the interests + abilities of the

people who are concerned + interested. I don't know what I can do, but I want to assist where I can in my limited time available. So far I have attended two meetings + piled my shelf high with literature (tho excellent, it comes too fast for all to be read!) - this in two years.

The other matter which is a deep concern of mine + which I hope can be reviewed in the new administration - is the relation with state councils. We are appreciative of the support we have had, not just financially, but in counsel + encouragement, through Harold, Fred + Paul. But in addition to the research aspect of SRC - I believe a real underpinning financially + counsel otherwise in matters of program, research, action (not political, of course!) would be a powerful resource for our concern in the South. This can go on down to the local levels, where real communication can take place.

Beginnings have been made in Virginia & I am sure elsewhere, but only beginnings. There is no other organization but a local CHR which many people will join which can bring both races together in understanding. No. Va., Charlottesville, Richmond, etc. have found the great advantage of this. Why should not SRC provide the means & know-how to magnify this program 1,000 fold across the South?

This could not have been done a few years ago - but I believe now is the time it can start. Who else has the background to help?

Sorry to make this as long.

Again, welcome, & best wishes.

Hubert Beckwith

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August 3, 1961

Mr. Leslie Dunbar, Executive Director
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsythe Street
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Dunbar:

Thank you so very much for all of your help when I was in Atlanta last week. I can't tell you how much I appreciate everything you did for me and how invaluable we find your material.

Speaking of material, I discovered that I had mistakenly taken the book on Little Rock -- and I remember distinctly your saying that this was your only copy. It is being returned to you under separate cover with my apologies.

Please give my regards to Meg and thank her again for all of her cooperation. I'm sorry I didn't get another chance to see you before I left but you were very busy and I hated to disturb you.

Do let us know when next you are coming to New Orleans. We'll look forward to seeing you. And, again, many thanks.

Cordially,

Bette Moore

Bette Moore
Account Executive

BM:j

File
Board
Beckwith

August 15, 1961

Rev. Hubert Beckwith
Congregational Christian Church
of Fairfax
P. O. Box 156
Annandale, Virginia

Dear Hubert:

Many thanks for your letter of July 27, which I shared with Paul Rilling. Both of us have read it with great interest.

I am as convinced as you are that our state Councils need to be strengthened, not just for their sakes, but because they could provide a unique advantage. They are the only means yet devised for white Southerners to join with Negro Southerners in a non-denominational effort, the only feasible means of white and Negro people publicly standing together for a common objective. You know the dreams which inspired the founding of the Councils some years ago, and the disappointments of those dreams. We now have Councils operating in 9 states and in a 10th, Kentucky, of a rather specialized type. From all standpoints -- finances, program, administrative competence, local affiliates, public acceptance, Negro confidence, white confidence -- these state Councils vary greatly. If I say to you that in the opinion of most of us, the strongest council now is that of Virginia, you will be able to make some valuations of your own regarding the others. Yet the Councils in 10 states have endured and there is some reason to think that at least some of them are on the threshold of vigor.

SRC's concern right now is two-fold. One, what we can do on a continuing basis to help strengthen the councils now in operation. Two, what we can and must do to try again to establish councils in Mississippi and Louisiana. The problem in these two states is especially acute, when it is noted that in both there

is almost a complete absence of interracial communication and cooperative activity. There is also the matter of Texas, where the state Council floundered. Recently, we have assisted the Houston Council in the hopes that it would become the nucleus of a state group.

What SRC can do about either of these objectives is closely related to money. We are now, as you know, distributing about $50,000 a year among the states in addition to the devoting of the major part of the activities of Paul Rilling and his administrative secretary to the service of the Councils. By means of consultants, such as John Hope and Ken Morland, we have from time to time provided workshops, etc. Whether more funds can be raised to make possible enlarged aid and service is a question whose answer I don't know. I have become acutely conscious that the requests made upon the few foundations interested in this field are so heavy that one has to be able to demonstrate pretty convincingly that grants will probably yield results. Certainly, every bit of evidence that the state or local Councils are achieving success will help.

At the Executive Committee Meeting of July 27, we distributed to the Committee a summary report of the present condition of the state Councils. I think you will be interested in seeing it and am enclosing a copy.

With best regards,

Sincerely yours,

Leslie Dunbar
Executive Director

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Enclosure

File: Annual Meeting - 1961

Woman's Division of Christian Service of the
Board of Missions of The Methodist Church

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MRS. J. FOUNT TILLMAN, President
Palmetto Farm
Lewisburg, Tennessee

August 28, 1961

Mr. Paul Anthony
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Anthony:

Mrs. J. Fount Tillman's copy of your letter of August 21 to members of the Council was received at her home in Tennessee while she was in Oslo, attending World Methodist meetings. It was forwarded to her office.

I know Mrs. Tillman will be sorry to have to miss the Annual Meeting of the Council on November 8 and 9, but she is scheduled to leave the country before the first of November to attend the Assembly of the World Council of Churches in New Delhi. I will refer to her your request for suggestions for new members when she comes to the office in September and you may be hearing from her then.

Sincerely yours,

Velma Hontz

Velma Hontz
Secretary to Mrs. Tillman

Board meeting

September 1, 1961

Mr. Bell I. Wiley
Emory University
Department of History
Atlanta 22, Georgia

Dear Mr. Wiley:

We too are very sorry that you will be unable to attend the Annual Meeting. Actually, a great number of our members, particularly those in the academic circles, are beginning to find our November date a difficult time. It is likely that at this Annual Meeting we will consider a change of date.

We will, of course, inform you of the proceedings of the meeting.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

PA:mbb

EMORY UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA 22, GEORGIA

DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY

26 August 1961

Dear Paul Anthony:

Thank you for your notice of Aug. 21.

As of last year, the date of the Council's annual meeting conflicts with the annual meeting of the Southern Historical Association. For professional reasons, I have to attend the latter function.

I know, of course, that no time would suit all the members and that you have to set up a date when most can come. I am sorry that I shall not be able to attend.

Sincerely,

Bell I. Wiley

Bell I. Wiley

Board annual meeting

September 1, 1961

Col. Francis Pickens Miller
2810 P Street, N.W.
Washington, 7, D. C.

Dear Colonel Miller:

We are very sorry to learn that you will be unable to attend the Annual Meeting, though, of course, we do understand the circumstances.

We shall express your regrets to the members, and inform you of the proceedings of the meeting.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

PA:mbb

FRANCIS PICKENS MILLER
2810 P STREET, N.W.
WASHINGTON 7, D.C.

August 24, 1961

Dear Mr. Anthony:

I have your notice of the Annual Meeting of the Southern Regional Council, and I am very sorry indeed that I will be unable to attend.

Unfortunately, my current duties in the State Department prevent me from devoting as much time as attendance at that meeting would require to affairs not directly related to my responsibilities here, however important those affairs may be.

With all good wishes, I am

Regretfully yours,

Francis Miller

Francis P. Miller

Mr. Paul Anthony,
Executive Assistant,
Southern Regional Council, Inc.,
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.,
Atlanta 3, Georgia.

Monroe, N.C., 13th

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Aside from having our home searched by police (looking for Robt. Williams), sessions with two FBI agents, check by police with contractor who built our pool (to see if cache underneath it was for hiding arms!) necessity of installing unlisted telephone (due to continued anonymous calls): AT3-2990 (you should make a note of this no. should you wish to call me.), we here are all right. Mrs. Shuttlesworth & I spent Labor Day weekend in Durham, where my wife had check-up at Duke Hosp.

J.R.S.

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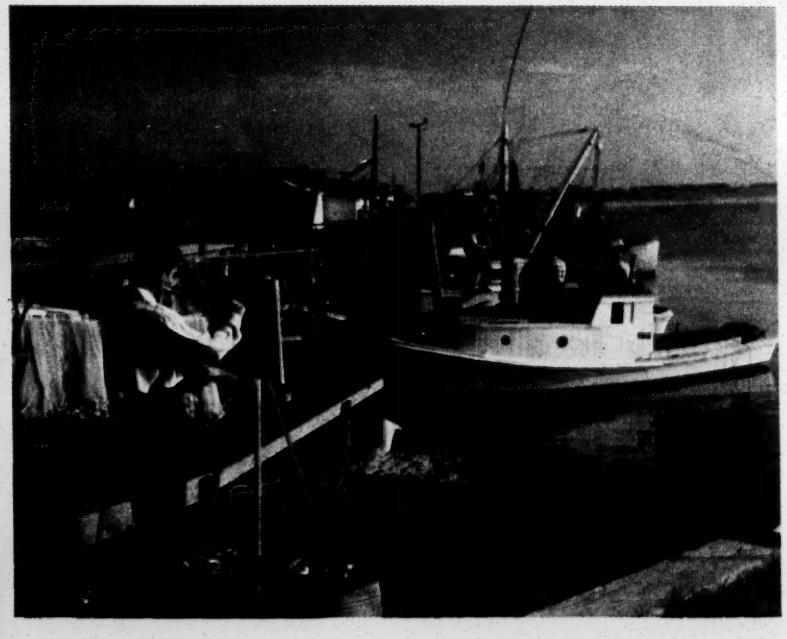

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September 21, 1961

Dear Mr. Dunbar:

I regret exceedingly that I shall not be able to accept your kind invitation to address the Southern Regional Council in Atlanta on November 8.

I find that I am scheduled to be in California on that date.

May I send along my best wishes for a successful meeting.

Sincerely,

Edward R. Murrow
Director

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

September 13, 1961

Mr. Edward R. Murrow, Director
United States Information Agency
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Murrow:

The annual meeting of the Southern Regional Council will be held November 8-9 in Atlanta. On behalf of the Council, I wish to invite you to be the speaker at our banquet on the evening of November 8.

The Council is a bi-racial body of southern leaders. I believe you would find them a challenging as well as a warm and appreciative audience. There are seventy-nine members, whose names are listed on the enclosure, of whom ordinarily about fifty attend. Except for a few guests and our staff, there will be no others present. The press, however, will be invited to cover the address.

On the Court

I shall not suggest a topic, except to note that your present position and our concern for racial relations have direct and obvious connection.

I think the events of the past month make this an especially appropriate time for you to return to Atlanta. Your CBS report on Atlanta in the Spring of 1960 was certainly one of the important contributions to the growth of realism and determination here, and you have the sincere gratitude of many in the city.

Knowing how crowded must be your schedule and responsibilities, we do, however, greatly hope that you will find it convenient to be with us.

With sincerest best wishes,

Very truly yours,

Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director

LWD:mbb
Enc.

B.C.C. - HARRIS WOFFORD

New South

September 21, 1961

Mr. Irving E. Carlyle
Womble, Carlyle, Sandridge & Rice
Wachovia Bank Building
Winston-Salem, 1, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Carlyle:

Mr. Dunbar is out of town and, in the interest of time, I am responsing to your letter of September 14th.

You are quite right about the population map; while the figure on the percentage of Negro population in Yadkin County is right, the color is wrong. If we reprint the map this will be corrected. Meanwhile the correction will be noted on the maps circulated. Thank you for calling this to our attention.

We look forward to seeing you at the Annual Meeting on November 8th.

Sincerely yours,

Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

PA:mbb

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TELEPHONE
PARK 5-1311

September 14, 1961

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar
Southern Regional Council
Five Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Dunbar:

I have just read with much interest the July-August issue of New South. Of particular interest to me, and I am sure it will be to many others, is the map attached at the back of the magazine showing the percentage of nonwhite population in counties of southern states.

figures right color of Yadkin wrong

The thing about the map that struck my attention is the light red color assigned to Yadkin County which lies immediately west of Forsyth County, in which Winston-Salem is located and in which I live. I have a fairly good acquaintance with the population makeup of these two counties, and I believe that a mistake was made with respect to Yadkin County and that the color given to Yadkin County should have been given to Forsyth County. It is pretty generally assumed that the Negroes of Winston-Salem comprise about 35-40% of the population within the city limits, and there is a considerable number of Negroes residing outside of the city limits. Accordingly, I think your research department should recheck the figures on Yadkin County and Forsyth County in North Carolina with respect to the map above referred to.

Incidentally, your article on "The Freedom Ride" makes a lot of sense and was an excellent job.

Yours sincerely,

Irving E. Carlyle

Irving E. Carlyle

IEC:BA

SPC Board

September 28, 1961

Dr. Riley B. Montgomery, President
The College of the Bible
Lexington, Kentucky

Dear Dr. Montgomery:

We will have more detailed information on the Annual Meeting shortly. However, it is likely that the meeting will begin with lunch at 12:00 noon on November 8th, with the business session scheduled for 2:00 p.m.

While, of course, we would like to have you with us for all of the meeting, your arrival at any time on the afternoon of the 8th would assure you of being present for the great majority of the meeting. The meeting will end with lunch on the 9th.

It is good to know that you can make the meeting, and we look forward to seeing you.

With best regards,

Sincerely yours,

Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

PA:mbb

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THE COLLEGE OF THE BIBLE

LEXINGTON, KENTUCKY

A GRADUATE SEMINARY

September 26, 1961

Mr. Paul Anthony
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.,
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Paul:

I have your communication saying that the annual meeting of the Council would be on November 8-9. You do not give the hours of the meeting. I would appreciate knowing when the meeting will begin on Wednesday, November 8th, and particularly since I may have a little difficulty in being at the opening session if it starts early in the day.

Hoping I may hear from you promptly, I am

Yours most cordially,

Riley B. Montgomery

President
RBM:arh

October 4, 1961

Mrs. Vivian Carter Mason
Public Relations Consultant
6401 Virginia Beach Boulevard
Norfolk, Virginia

Dear Mrs. Mason:

On behalf of your colleagues in the Southern Regional Council and the staff, let me congratulate you on your appointment to the Peace Corps. The assignment which you have undertaken is a most important one and the govenment is fortunate that you were available.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director

LWD:mbb

Race Leader Joins Peace Corps Staff

9-20-61

By Virginian-Pilot Staff Writer

WASHINGTON — Mrs. Vivian Carter Mason, a Norfolk Negro leader and former president of the National Council of Negro Women, has been employed by the Peace Corps to enlist the aid of women's groups for the corps program.

Mrs. Mason, who joined the Peace Corps headquarters staff this week, is assistant to the chief of recruitment for Women's Affairs. The grade GS-13 position pays $10,635 a year.

Mrs. Mason

I'll be special assistant in charge of women's organizations and ethnic groups," Mrs. Mason said, explaining that she will provide information about the Peace Corps to national women's groups and seek their cooperation for special projects.

As an example, she said that a number of nurses might be needed for service with the Peace Corps abroad. She would inform various women's groups of the corps' requirements, and ask that they help in encouraging suitable persons to apply.

TO TRAVEL OFTEN

In a more general way, her mission will be to help women's groups interpret the mission of the Peace Corps to the public, Mrs. Mason said. She will travel often, attending regional conferences and seeking out women's leadership in various parts of the country.

Mrs. Mason is a graduate of the University of Chicago and pursued advanced studies at Fordham University in New York.

During World War II she was director of the Division of Social Service in the New York City Welfare Department and supervised the work of 4,000 employes.

Long active in the civil rights movement, Mrs. Mason is a charter member of the Women's Inter-Racial Council of Norfolk; is state chairman of the Virginia Conference of the NAACP; and is on the board of directors of the Southern Regional Council at Atlanta.

IN SCHOOL CRISIS

During Norfolk's school crisis of 1958-59, she was director of the tutoring group for the 17 Negro children assigned to six white schools which were closed for a semester under Virginia's "massive resistance" laws.

Mrs. Mason will be cited for outstanding civic and community service next month in New York City by the Westchester County Negro Business and Professional Women's Club.

She also will be honored on Oct. 9 by the Norfolk Negro Business and Professional Women's Club. She remains a member of the board of the National Council of Negro Women, which she formerly headed.

October 5, 1961

Honorable John Cooper
U. S. Senator
Sumerset, Kentucky

Dear Senator Cooper:

Leslie W. Dunbar, Executive Director of the Southern Regional Council has informed me that he has invited you to be the speaker at the banquet of the Council on November 8.

Knowing of your great interest and knowledge of the human relations field, I am hoping that you will be able to accept the invitation.

We here in Kentucky are quite proud of your contributions in safe guarding the welfare of all citizens by the position you take in legislative matters.

I am looking forward to seeing you again on November 8.

Sincerely yours,

Charles T. Steele
Executive Director

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October 6, 1961

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Mr. Leslie Dunbar
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Leslie Dunbar:

Dr. Phillip Davidson, President of the University of Louisville has committed himself to me in company with others on his willingness to hire a Negro Physicist. He should be a good teacher with a Ph.D. At present the University of Louisville has only one Negro professor. He is about at retirement age.

Very truly yours,

Lee B. Thomas, Jr.

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October 10, 1961

Senator John Sherman Cooper
Senate Office Building
Washington 25, D.C.

Dear Senator:

I understand the Southern Regional Council is hoping to have you as their banquet speaker on the evening of November 8.

Knowing from long experience the effectiveness of your searching, compassionate approach to regional problems, I hope very much that you'll be able to accept. It will not only be a pleasure to hear you, but I'll get a great deal of personal satisfaction out of basking in the credit that redounds to Kentucky!

With best wishes as ever, I am

Cordially yours,

Dorcas Ruthenburg, Director
Public Affairs for Radio

cc: Leslie W. Dunbar

Dear Leslie: I found your letter when I got back to my desk from a week's vacation. I hope the Senator can make it.

See you next month! Dorcas

JOHN SHERMAN COOPER
KENTUCKY

United States Senate

WASHINGTON, D. C.

October 9, 1961

Dear Mr. Dunbar:

I have received your letter of October 4th, with its kind invitation to speak at your banquet Wednesday night, November 8th, during the annual meeting of the Southern Regional Council, to be held in Atlanta, Georgia.

I do want you to know I appreciate your kindness in extending the invitation, but unfortunately I will be unable to accept. Owing to the long session of the Congress, and the necessity of moving engagements forward that I had originally scheduled for earlier dates, my schedule is very crowded, and I have commitments for the period of your meeting. I am sorry, but I do thank you for extending the invitation.

With kindest regards and all good wishes for a very successful meeting, I am

Sincerely yours,

John Sherman Cooper

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar,
Executive Director,
Southern Regional Council, Inc.,
5 Forsyth Street N. W.,
Atlanta 3, Georgia.

October 4, 1961

The Honorable John Sherman Cooper
United States Senator
Somerset, Kentucky

My dear Senator:

The annual meeting of the Southern Regional Council will be held November 8-9 in Atlanta. On behalf of the Council, I wish to invite you to be the speaker at our banquet on the evening of November 8.

The Council is a bi-racial body of Southern leaders. I believe you would find them a challenging as well as a warm and appreciative audience. There are seventy-nine members, whose names are listed on the enclosure, of whom ordinarily about fifty attend. Except for a few guests and our staff, there will be no others present. The press, however, will be invited to cover the address.

We are aware of the contributions you have made and the leadership you have given in the difficult area of race relations as well as in so many other fields. We would like to have an opportunity to share your thinking on this subject and to express our appreciation to you.

Knowing how crowded must be your schedule and responsibilities, we do, however, greatly hope that you will find it convenient to be with us, and shall be glad to reimburse you for expenses.

With sincerest best wishes,

Very truly yours,

Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director

LWD:mbb
Enc

cc: Lee B. Thomas, Jr.
Miss Dorcas Ruthenburg
Charles Steele
Riley B. Montgomery
} air mail

October 10, 1961

Mr. Lee B. Thomas, Jr.
Executive Vice President
Vermont American Corporation
300 East Main Street
Louisville 2, Kentucky

Dear Lee:

More specific information will go out to all members sometime this week. In the meantime, the general schedule is as follows:

> The meeting begins with lunch on November 8th, (12:00 or 12:30), and ends with lunch on November 9th.

Excluding the convenience of these meals, the important times would run from about 2:00 P. M. on the 8th to noon on the 9th.

Best wishes,

Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

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October 9, 1961

Mr. Paul Anthony, Executive Assistant
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, Northwest
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Paul:

Would you please advise me the time the banquet is set for November 8 and also the approximate time the afternoon session should be over on November 9 for our Annual Meeting. I need this information so that I can get plane reservations made accordingly.

Thanks so much.

Yours very truly,

Lee B. Thomas, Jr.
Executive Vice President

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OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

October 23, 1961

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar, Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Dunbar:

Thank you very much for your letter of October 13 inviting me as a past member of the Southern Regional Council's board to attend the annual meeting in Atlanta on November 8 - 9. I regret very much my inability to attend, but I send you my most cordial greetings and best wishes for a successful meeting.

Please do put me on your mailing list to receive occasional reports from the S.R.C. I get the New South by virtue of my membership in the Virginia Council on Human Relations, but I am eager to receive special reports.

Sincerely yours,

William H. Marmion

William H. Marmion

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VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY

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The Divinity School

October 25, 1961

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Fprsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Dunbar:

I have a second thought following receipt of your letter of October 24.

Our annual meeting is this week-end, and Attorney George Barrett has been nominated as the new president of the Tennessee Council for the coming year. I do not know if he could make plans to attend this meeting on such short notice, but I think it might be very valuable for him to do so.

Although he has not actually been elected, he will be elected on Saturday morning, October 28. His address is 216 Third Avenue North.

Very cordially,

Jas. D. Glasse (ewh)

James D. Glasse

JDG:ewh

October 26, 1961

Professor Robert J. Harris
Department of Social Science
Vanderbilt University
Nashville 5, Tennessee

Dear Professor Harris:

I am glad that I was out of the office Tuesday for I doubt that I would have been as bold as Paul Anthony. Needless to say I am happy that he did call and happy that you will be with us. We are enclosing a check for travel advance, and you have a reservation at the Hilton Inn at the airport for the night of November 8th.

I am enclosing also a copy of the program for the 8th. If you can arrive in time for the luncheon on Thursday you will be most welcome as, indeed, you would be also for the short program session late Thursday afternoon.

I would suggest that, all things considered, the most convenient thing for you to do would be to take a cab from the airport motel to Atlanta University Dining Hall (the cab driver probably won't know where it is; tell him it is on Chestnut Street near Beckwith).

We would like for each of the panelists to speak for ten to fifteen minutes. The topic will be something like this: Racial Relations in the Changed South; do we point with pride or view with alarm? There should be a little time after your remarks for discussion.

As I believe I told you, your co-panelists will be Eric Lincoln, Professor of Sociology at Clark, and author of The Black Muslims; and Louis Lomax, free lance writer, author of a recent book about Africa, and producer of the recent notorious telecast Walk in My Shoes.

Sincerely yours,

Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director

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VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY
NASHVILLE 5, TENNESSEE

DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE

10/23/61

Dear Leslie:

My schedule is so very tight from now through November 15 that I must decline your kind invitation to be with you on November 8. There are good air schedules to Atlanta, but returning they are not so good so that I would have to stay there over night and catch a very early plane in the morning. Thanks very much and best wishes.

Cordially yours,
Robert J. Harris

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Balance - $40.00

October 27, 1961

Telegram to: Professor James D. Glasse
Divinity School
Vanderbilt University
Nashville 5, Tenn

WOULD BE DELIGHTED TO HAVE GEORGE BARRETT AS

PRESIDENT-ELECT. PLEASE CONVEY INVITATION TO HIM.

R.W.D

November 13, 1961

Mr. Irving E. Carlyle
Womble, Carlyle, Sandridge & Rice
Wachovia Bank Building
Winston-Salem 1, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Carlyle:

We are deeply grateful for your contribution of $91.23, the amount of your expenses to the Annual Meeting. Our official receipt is enclosed.

Also, we are pleased that you have accepted election to the Nominating Committee. We promise to make few demands on you. In fact, this will only consist of one brief meeting sometime in the fall of 1962 to select nominees for officers and members of the Council to place before next year's annual meeting. However, we are certain that the Council will benefit from your judgement and advice in this important matter.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

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November 10, 1961

Mr. Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Anthony:

The total amount of my expenses for the trip to Atlanta for the annual meeting is $91.23. As heretofore, I am making a gift of this amount to the Southern Regional Council rather than filing an expense account.

Yours very truly,

Irving E. Carlyle

Irving E. Carlyle

IEC:BA

November 15, 1961

Mr. Lee B. Thomas, Jr.
203 Marshall Drive
Louisville, Kentucky

Dear Lee:

Enclosed is a check for your travel expenses and our receipt for your generous contribution. I trust you know how much we value this expression of your confidence in the Council. We are deeply and genuinely grateful.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

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Encl

LEE B. THOMAS, JR.
203 MARSHALL DRIVE
LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY

November 13, 1961

Mr. Paul Anthony
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, Northwest
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Paul:

Enclosed you will find my expense account for my recent trip to Atlanta for the Annual Meeting.

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Also, please find my check in the amount of $100.00 made out to Southern Regional Council.

Yours very truly,

Lee B. Thomas, Jr.

Lee B. Thomas, Jr.

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November 16, 1961

Dr. Samuel D. Proctor, President
The Agricultural and Technical
College of North Carolina
Greensboro, North Carolina

Dear Dr. Proctor:

Many thanks for your letter of November 13 and its kind comments. I was especially pleased that you were able to attend the meeting, for I had looked forward to meeting you. I hope you will drop by whenever you are in Atlanta, and that we may see you soon again.

Sincerely yours,

Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director

LWD:dm

note: Beth said check sent.

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pls return for me to reply

TELEPHONE 273-1773

THE AGRICULTURAL AND TECHNICAL
COLLEGE OF NORTH CAROLINA
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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

November 13, 1961

Dr. Leslie W. Dunbar, Executive Director
SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
5 Forsythe Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Dr. Dunbar:

I am very glad that you insisted that I come to the meeting, even though for only one day. I think that the morning session, the luncheon and the fellowship were well worth my time. I hope I never have to miss one of these meetings.

Was I expected to travel at school expense on my budget, or do I understand that the expenses for Board Members are borne by the Council?

My expenses were as follows:

November 8, 1961	Railway and Pullman to Atlanta	$ 23.59
	Railroad tips	1.00
November 9, 1961	Breakfast on the train	3.25
	Taxi Fare to Atlanta University	1.00
	Taxi and Limousine fares to the Airport in Atlanta	2.50
	Dinner at the Airport in Atlanta	2.25
	Plane fare to Greensboro (Tax Exempt)	23.80
	Taxi and Limousine fares in Greensboro	2.25
	TOTAL	$ 59.64

I share the sentiment which prevailed at the meeting that the Southern Regional Council is extremely fortunate in having you as its Executive Director.

Kindest regards.

Sincerely yours,

Samuel D. Proctor

Samuel D. Proctor
PRESIDENT

SDP/d

Enclosure - Airline and Railway Tickets

November 17, 1961

Father Alexander O. Sigur
P. O. Box 532
S. L. I. Station
Lafayette, Louisiana

Dear Father Sigur:

We missed you at the Annual Meeting (where you were re-elected a member of the Executive Committee). I suppose the next meeting of the Executive Committee will be sometime in January and we look forward to meeing you then.

I have just recently read your paper "Race Relations: A Program for a Catholic Paper in the South". I commend you on a most perceptive job.

Sincerely yours,

Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director

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Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Leslie:

Thanks you for your kind note of November 17, and your generous comment about the paper on race relations and the Catholic Press. I enjoyed doing it, and hope it did some good.

I deeply regretted not being able to make the November meeting and several others which I have had to miss recently on account of excessive commitments to this National Newman Chaplaincy, which will keep me until the end of August. I am doing what I can with other things, but it is extremely demanding for the time. I know you will understand and consider me deeply interested and involved with SRC nevertheless. Come visit when you get a chance, you will be welcome here.

Yours in Christ,

(Rt. Rev. Msgr.) Alexander O. Sigur

AOS/ljp

November 17, 1961

Dr. Gordon Hancock
Post Office Box 6056
Richmond, Virginia

Dear Dr. Hancock:

I want to thank you most humbly and gratefully for your letter of November 10.

In my remarks at the Annual Meeting I expressed my heartfelt appreciation to those who had held the Council together in its lean years and had done so without compromise. They gave us both the organizational and the moral basis on which we now work, and among these people you were a mighty figure.

I hope to see you again next year, if not before.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director

LWD:mbb

Post Office Box 6056
Richmond 22, Virginia
Tenth of November
Nineteen Sixty-One

Dr Leslie Dunbar, Director
Southern Regional Council
Five Forsyth Street
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear Dr Dunbar:

It was a great pleasure to be a guest of the Council in its recent annual meeting. I was unspeakably proud of the way things are going and your complete mastery of the situation reassures me that we are on the eve of greater things. When a great man and a great opportunity make conjunction great things are in the offing.

Being with the Council from its humble beginning, I am in a position as probably no one else to see how far we have come. When I compare our beginning with our present enviable position among the reputable organizations working for interracial ends, I am inclined to say with Morse when in 1844 he sent his first message over the telegraph line between Baltimore and Washington "What hath God wrought?"

For years and years we would meet and ponder the advisability of disbanding because we were hanging by the figurative thread; but we always came through. The members were sent their several ways at sundry times to raise money. I returned to Richmond and contacted one of my closest business friends and put the question to him. He said that he did not know enough about the Council to make an intelligent contribution. He was worth millions. I proposed to let him read our literature to alert him to our program. After he had had time to peruse the literature sent, I called on him for his contribution. His reply to my request was "The Southern Regional Council wants to go farther and faster than I want to go, therefore your request is denied." But in spite of such disheartening experience we are on our way.

I want to thank you most deeply for your invitation to attend the recent annual meeting of the Council and if there ia anything I can do to help matters you may feel free to command me.

Gratefully always,

Gordon B Hancock

Gordon B Hancock

November 20, 1961

The Rev. Hester Wynn
President
Gammon Theological Seminary
653 Beckwith Street, S. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Wynn:

The members of the Council have requested that I convey to you their appreciation for the excellent hospitality of Gammon Theological Seminary, which contributed so much to the success of our Annual Meeting. A resolution to this effect was unanimously approved.

Please express to all of your staff our deep appreciation for their courtesies and consideration.

You are providing a very real service to the community in making these much needed accommodations available and we are deeply grateful.

Please call on us at any time that we may possibly be of help to you.

Sincerely yours,

Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director

LWD:mm

November 20, 1961

Mrs. Hannah Shulhafer
2636 Dellwood Drive, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mrs. Shulhafer:

At the Annual Meeting of the Council on November 12, the members by formal resolution requested that I convey to you their sympathy and deep sense of loss at the passing of Mr. Philip E. Shulhafer.

Mr. Shulhafer was a dedicated friend of the Council, from its inception in 1944, and his judgment was highly valued. He will be greatly missed.

Please accept our deepest sympathy.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director

LWD:mm

bc: Josephine Wilkins

November 22, 1961

Mr. Herbert M. Davidson
Editor and Publisher
Daytona Beach News Journal
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mr. Davidson:

Your gift of $100.00 to the Council is another of the numerous occasions for gratitude in having your suport. An official receipt is enclosed but I wished to express also the staff's warm thanks.

The remarks you made during the meeting will have our attention during the next year. I refer to both your suggestions about a more planned approach to area newspapers and your questioning of the processes of approving the grant-in-aid for state councils. The former is a sound suggestion and the latter a valid concern.

I am glad you were able to make the meeting.

Sincerely yours,

Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director

LWD:mbb
Enc.

Board

November 22, 1961

Dr. Stephen J. Wright, President
Fisk University
Nashville, Tennessee

Dear Steve:

I am sending on to you, as you requested, copies of memoranda, etc., regarding the voter project which had earlier been distributed to other members of the Executive Committee.

Best regards.

Sincerely yours,

Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director

LWD:mbb

Enc. Memo Sept. 13 to Executive Committee
" July 31 " " "
Letter, Sept 13 to all agencies.

November 22, 1961

Dr. H. Franklin Williams,
Vice President
The University of Miami
Coral Gables, Florida

Dear Dr. Williams:

Stephen Wright, as a new member of the Executive Committee, requested copies of memoranda and letters relating to the voter project. I thought you also might like to have them - they are enclosed.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director

LWD:mbb
Enc. Memo, Sept. 13 to Executive Committee
" July 31 " " "
Letter, Sept. 13 to all agencies.

Nov. 22, 1961

Dear Mr. Dunbar:

You will hear shortly from Rev. Bob Seymour, a Baptist minister of Chapel Hill whom I know & admire. He is a member of the executive Board of the N.C. Council of Churches & chairman of a committee which puts him in very close touch with the Council's activities. He can help more than I. Regards - J. R. Strasser

November 22, 1961

Professor Robert J. Harris
Department of Political Science
Vanderbilt University
Nashville 5, Tennessee

Dear Bob:

Enclosed is our check for $8.63. It is a small offering for an excellent and neighborly contribution.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director

LWD:mbb
Enc. Check $8.63

VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY
NASHVILLE 5 TENNESSEE

Department of Political Science

Dear Leslie: 11/17/61

Below is a statement of expenses incurred by me in attending the Southern Regional Council meeting on Nov. 8.

Airplane ticket	$39.27
Hotel	12.36
Taxicabs (Nashville + Atlanta)	7.00
	58.63
Advanced by check ($40.00) and Cash ($10.00	50.00
Balance due	$8.63

It was most enjoyable to have been with you.

Best wishes.

Robert J. Harris

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November 26, 1962

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar, Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Leslie:

First I want to thank you and your staff for the hospitality and many courtesies shown to me and all those who attended the meeting. I was particularly impressed with the seriousness of purpose and dedication to the objectives of the Council demonstrated by those who were responsible for the very successful conference. I sincerely hope that I will justify the confidence shown in me as a member of the Executive Committee.

With kindest personal regards to you and all the members of the staff, I remain

Very truly yours,

Jack

John P. Nelson, Jr.

JPNjr:ch

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From the desk of—

H. Franklin Williams.

November 27, 1961 - UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI

Dear Mr. Dunbar,

May I acknowledge for Dr. Williams, who is out of town, information from the Southern Regional Council's Executive Committee, as requested by new member, Stephen Wright. I am sure that Dr. Williams will find this information useful. Thank you for your thoughtfulness.

Cordially yours,

(Miss) Edna M. Pedersen, secretary to Dr. H.F.Williams

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MHB file

Dec. 4, 1961

Dear Mr. Dunbar,
my husband, David Scull, is out of the country until December 20th. I will give him your letter as soon as he returns.

Sincerely
Laurel H. Scull

Sent by Rabbi Rothschild
File Rothschild

Dear _____:

No doubt you were pleased, as I was, by the recent appointment of Robert C. Weaver as administrator of the Housing and Home Finance Agency.

I have been given to understand that this appointment, for obvious reasons, will be contested in the U.S. Senate. It would be particularly helpful if white Southerners who feel so disposed wrote to President Kennedy expressing their gratification at this appointment; copies of such letters sent to Senator John Sparkman, the chairman of the committee considering Mr. Weaver, would also be helpful.

In view of our shared concerns and our membership together on the board of the Southern Regional Council, it occurred to me that you might wish to write such a letter. In my own letter to President Kennedy, I am emphasizing the high level of competence and the long experience which Mr. Weaver brings to the federal housing field. It seems to me the great virtue of the appointment is that his qualifications are superior and that his race is, properly, immaterial.

In case you have not seen it, I enclose a biographical sketch of Mr. Weaver as it appeared recently in the New York Times.

With kindest personal regards I am

Sincerely,

Rabbi Jacob Rothschild

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A Council to attain the ideals and practices of equal opportunity for all peoples in the South

MEMORANDUM August 21, 1961

To: Members of the Council

From: Paul Anthony, Executive Assistant

The dates for the Annual Meeting of the Council have been set as directed by the By-Laws, and approved by the Executive Committee. They are Wednesday and Thursday, November 8 and 9. Details of the meeting will be sent to you later. We did, however, want you to know of these dates well in advance. Please place them on your calendar and plan to attend if at all possible. The Council will, of course, be responsible for all expenses involved.

The Nominating Committee will meet in late September to select officers and members of the Executive Committee. The Nominating Committee will also have before it the matter of re-election of Members of the class of 1961, and the filling of vacancies: the By-Laws require that at least five new Members be elected each year.

In this regard, we would like to have your suggestions for new Members. If you will send your suggestions to me, I will see that they are presented to the Nominating Committee. Please include as much information as possible about the person or persons whom you recommend.

The Nominating Committee consists of:

Thomas W. Young, Norfolk Journal and Guide
Raymond Wheeler, M. D., Charlotte, N. C.
H. V. Richardson, President, Interdenominational Theological Seminary
H. Franklin Williams, Vice President, University of Miami
Stephen J. Wright, President, Fisk University

We hope to see you on November 8th.

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Southern Regional Council, Inc.

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LESLIE W. DUNBAR,
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

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October 5, 1961

MEMO TO: Members of the Council

FROM : Paul Anthony, Executive Assistant

RE : Proposed Change in the By-Laws

At the Executive Committee Meeting on November 8th, prior to the Annual Meeting, the staff will propose a change in the By-Laws, as given below. If the Executive Committee approves of this change it will be brought before the full Council for a vote. This information is being sent you, in meeting the requirement of the By-Laws that any proposed change be brought to the attention of the members at least 30 days before the Annual Meeting.

PROPOSED CHANGES:

Article II. Section 1. Members.

A. Now reads: The members of the corporation shall be not more than 80 or less than 64 persons, hereafter called members.

Proposed Change: A. The members of the corporation shall be not more than 100 or less than 64 persons, hereafter called members.

Article II. Section 1.

B. Now reads: A member shall hold office for the four years or until he shall have resigned, died, or been removed in the manner provided by Section 8 of this article. A member may be eligible to succeed himself; however, there shall be at least five new members elected each year.

Proposed Change:

B. A member shall hold office for the four years or until he shall have resigned, died, or been removed in the manner provided by Section 8 of this article. A member may be eligible to succeed himself. In the years 1961 through 1964, there shall be at least ten new members elected each year. Thereafter, there shall be at least five new members elected each year.

BY-LAWS*

of the

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

ARTICLE I. NAME, AREA, AND PURPOSES

Section 1. Name

The name of this organization shall be the Southern Regional Council, Incorporated. The terms "Council" or "Corporation" used hereafter in these by-laws shall mean the "Southern Regional Council, Incorporated."

Section 2. Area

For the purposes of this Corporation the Southern Region shall be defined as embracing the States of Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, and Virginia. All members of the Corporation shall be residents of this area. This area may be increased or reduced at any annual meeting of the members as hereinafter defined.

Section 3. Purposes

The purposes of the Southern Regional Council are to exist and function as an eleemosynary organization, and more particularly to organize and maintain a Regional Council and to cooperate with like State organizations in the Southern Region for the improvement of economic, civic, and racial conditions, in the endeavor to promote a greater unity in the South in all efforts towards regional and racial development; to attain through research and action programs the ideals and practices of equal opportunity for all peoples in the region; to reduce racial tension, the basis of racial tension, racial misunderstanding, and racial distrust; to develop and integrate leadership in the South on new levels of regional development and fellowship; and to cooperate with local, state, regional, and national agencies on all levels in the attainment of the desired objectives. The Council shall not engage in carrying on propaganda or otherwise attempt to influence legislation nor engage in any form of political activities.

ARTICLE II. MEMBERS

Section 1. Members

A. The members of the Corporation shall be not more than 100 or less than 64 persons, hereafter called members.

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* Amended version, approved by the full Council, November 8-9, 1961.

B. A member shall hold office for the four years or until he shall have resigned, died, or been removed in the manner provided by Section 8 of this article. A member may be eligible to succeed himself. In the years 1961 through 1964, there shall be at least ten new members elected each year. Thereafter, there shall be at least five new members elected each year.

C. Successors to members shall, upon expiration of terms or death, resignation, or removal, be elected by all members of the Corporation, at the next meeting, following occurrence of such vacancy; except that, in intervals between annual meetings, the Executive Committee shall be empowered to fill vacancies in the membership of the Council.

Section 2. Notice of Meetings and Membership Rights

A. Notice of the place, day, and hour of every regular and special meeting shall be given to each member not less than ten (10) days before the meeting, by delivering the same to him personally, or sending the same to him by telegraph or telephone or by leaving the same at his last known post office address, according to the records of the Corporation. It shall not be requisite to the validity of any meeting of the Council that notice thereof shall have been received by any member who is present thereat or, if absent, waives notice thereof in writing filed with the records of the meeting either before or after the holding thereof. No notice of any adjourned meeting of the Council need be given.

B. The rights of any member in the Corporation shall not be assignable or transferable, except in the case of proxies, as provided in Section 4 of this article and his rights shall cease with death, resignation, or termination of membership for any cause.

Section 3. Voting

Each member shall have one vote and, except in cases in which it is by the charter or by these by-laws otherwise provided, a majority of the votes cast shall be sufficient to elect and to pass any measure. Voting by mail may be conducted on such questions and in such manner as may be provided by the Executive Committee.

Section 4. Proxies

Any member entitled to vote at any meeting of members may vote either in person or by proxy. All proxies shall be given to members of this body only, and each one shall designate the name of the member who shall act as proxy. Every proxy shall be in writing, subscribed by the member, or his duly authorized attorney, and dated, but need not be sealed, witnessed, or acknowledged. Proxies shall be delivered to

the secretary of the Corporation before such meeting or to the inspectors at the meeting.

Section 5. Annual Meetings

The Corporation shall hold annually a meeting for the election of officers and for the transaction of general business at its principal office in Atlanta at ten o'clock a.m. on the second Wednesday in November in each year, if not a legal holiday, or at such other place and such other time as may be designated by the Executive Committee, provided notice of such meeting, including day, hour, and place, shall be given each member of the Council in writing at least thirty days in advance. Such annual meetings shall be general meetings; that is to say, open for the transaction of any business within the powers of the Corporation without special notice of such business, unless otherwise provided in these by-laws.

Section 6. Special Meetings

At any time in the interval between annual meetings, special meetings may be called by the president or any ten (10) members.

Section 7. Quorum

Fifteen members of the Council shall be necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at every meeting of the members; but if at any meeting there be less than a quorum present, a majority of those present may adjourn the meeting from time to time, but not for a period of over fifteen (15) days at any one time, without notice other than by announcement at the meeting until a quorum shall attend. At any such adjourned meeting at which a quorum shall be present, any business may be transacted which might have been transacted at the meeting as originally notified.

Section 8. Removal

At any meeting called with that purpose stated in the call, any member may, by a majority of the votes cast, be removed from office for cause, and another be appointed in the place of the person so removed to serve for the remainder of his term. Permanent change of residence or citizenship to a point beyond the area, as defined in or pursuant to Article I, Section 2, will automatically terminate the membership of one so changing residence or citizenship.

ARTICLE III. FELLOWS

The Council may award honorary fellowships, not exceeding one hundred (100) in number, to Southerners who have

demonstrated exceptional talent for constructive leadership. Fellows shall be chosen in such manner as the Council may prescribe, provided they are well distributed as to race, sex, creed, occupation, and place of residence. The duties of fellows shall be to cooperate with the Council as observers, advisers, correspondents, and special representatives. Fellows may receive such honoraria or reimbursement of expenses incurred at the request of the Executive Committee as the Council may direct. The term of a fellowship shall be for two years, unless otherwise provided by the Council, and fellowships may be renewed or withdrawn at the discretion of the Council. Fellows need not be members of the Corporation.

ARTICLE IV. COMMITTEES

Section 1. Executive Committee

The Council shall provide for an Executive Committee of not more than nine (9) members in addition to the president and vice-presidents, treasurer and counsel. The Executive Committee shall serve during the pleasure of the Council and may be discharged and the Committee abolished at any time by the Council. Unless one of the members shall have been designated as chairman by the Council, the Executive Committee shall elect a chairman from its own number. During the intervals between the meetings of the Council the Executive Committee shall possess and may exercise all the powers of the Corporation, conferred by these by-laws or the charter of the Corporation, in all cases in which specific directions shall not have been given by the Council. The Executive Committee shall keep full and fair accounts of its transactions. All action by the Executive Committee shall be reported to the Council at its meeting next succeeding such action, and shall be subject to revision and alterations by the Council; provided that no rights or third persons shall be affected by any such revision or alteration. Vacancies in the Executive Committee shall be filled by the Council or the Executive Committee itself during the interim between the Council meetings. All vacancies shall be filled from among members of the Council.

Section 2. Meetings of Executive Committee

The Executive Committee shall fix its own rules of procedure, and shall meet as provided by such rules or by resolution of the Council, and it shall also meet at the call of the chairman or of any three members of the Committee. A quorum of the Executive Committee shall consist of not less than five (5) members of the Committee. If necessary, members of the Executive Committee may by written notice appoint a proxy from among the members of the Council to attend and vote on behalf of such members.

Section 3. National Advisory Committee

The Council may establish a National Advisory Committee,

ing one hundred (100) in number, to Southerners who have Regional Council and who are sympathetic with the aims and policies of the Council, whose purpose shall be to advise the Council on matters pertaining to its work.

Section 4. Nominating Committee

There shall be a Nominating Committee of not less than five (5) members. Three members shall be elected by the Council from its membership at its annual meeting. Two members shall be appointed by the joint action of the President and the Executive Committee. The Nominating Committee shall meet not less than thirty (30) days before the annual meeting for the purpose of nominating: (1) members of the Council, (2) officers of the Council, (3) members of the Executive Committee and (4) three members of the succeeding Nominating Committee. As provided in Article II, Section 1-B, the Nominating Committee shall include the names of at least five new persons in its slate of nominees; at least ten in the years 1961-1964.

Section 5. Other Committees

The Council may by resolution provide for such other standing or special committees as it deems desirable and may discontinue the same at pleasure. Each such committee shall have such powers and perform such duties, not inconsistent with these by-laws, as may be assigned to it by the Council. If provision be made for any such committee, the members thereof shall be appointed by the Council. Vacancies in such committees shall be filled by the Council or by such committee or officer as the Council may authorize to fill such vacancies.

ARTICLE V. OFFICERS

Section 1. Executive Officers

The executive officers of the Corporation shall be a president; one or more vice-presidents, not to exceed four; an executive director; one or more assistant directors, a secretary, and a treasurer. The president, vice-presidents, and treasurer shall be chosen from among the members of the Corporation. The executive director, assistant directors, and secretary shall not be members of the Corporation. The offices of secretary and treasurer may be held by the same person, in which case the secretary-treasurer shall not be a member of the Corporation. The president and vice-presidents shall be elected annually by the Council. The executive director and assistant directors, secretary-treasurer, and counsel shall be subject to confirmation annually by the Council, upon the recommendation of the Executive Committee. Officers shall hold office until the corresponding meeting in the next year, and until their successors shall have been fully chosen and qualified, or until they shall have resigned or shall have been removed, in the manner provided in Article

II, Section 8. Any vacancy in any of the above offices shall be filled for the unexpired portion of the term by the Council, at any regular or special meeting.

Section 2. President

The president of the Corporation shall serve as chairman of the Council. He shall, when present, preside at all meetings of the Council, and he shall perform such other duties as, from time to time, may be assigned to him by the Council.

Section 3. First Vice-President

At the request of the president, or in his absence or disability, the first vice-president shall perform all the duties of the president; and when so acting shall have the powers of the president; and shall perform such other duties as, from time to time, may be assigned to him by the Council.

Section 4. Additional Vice-Presidents

Each additional vice-president, if any, shall perform the duties of the office in order of his rank and shall have such powers and perform such duties as may be assigned to him by the Council.

Section 5. Executive Director

The executive director shall be charged with the execution of the program and policies of the Council as defined by the Council, and shall be responsible directly to the Council. He shall have general charge and supervision of the employed personnel of the Council, he may sign and execute, in the name of the Corporation, all authorized deeds, mortgages, bonds, contracts, or other instruments, except in cases in which the signing and execution thereof shall have been expressly delegated to some other officer or agent of the Corporation; and he shall perform such other duties as, from time to time, may be assigned to him by the Executive Committee or by the Council.

Section 6. Assistant Directors

The assistant directors shall work in cooperation with the executive director in the administration of the program and policies of the Council. In the absence or disability of the executive director, one of the assistant directors will be designated by the executive director, or by the executive committee, to perform, temporarily, the duties of executive director.

Section 7. Secretary

The secretary shall keep the minutes of the meetings of

the Council and of the Executive Committee, in books provided for the purpose; he shall see that all notices are duly given in accordance with the provisions of these by-laws, or as required by law; he shall be custodian of the records and of the corporate seal or seals of the Corporation; he shall see that the corporate seal is affixed to all documents, the execution of which, on behalf of the Corporation, under its seal, is duly authorized, and when so affixed my attest the same; and, in general, he shall perform all duties incident to the office of a secretary of a corporation, and such other duties as, from time to time, may be assigned him by the Council or by the by-laws.

Section 8. Treasurer

The treasurer shall have charge of and be responsible for all funds, securities, receipts and disbursements of the Corporation, and shall deposit, or cause to be deposited, in the name of the Corporation, all monies or other valuable effects in such banks, trust companies, or other depositories as shall, from time to time, be selected by the Council; he shall render to the president and to the Council annually, and at other times whenever requested, an account of the financial condition of the Corporation; and, in general, shall perform all duties incident to the office of a treasurer of a corporation, and such other duties as may be assigned to him by the Council.

Section 8-A. Secretary-Treasurer

All or some of the duties contained in Sections 7 and 8 may be assigned to one person. This person will be designated Secretary-Treasurer.

Section 9. Controller

The office of controller may be created by the Council, and the duties and authority of such officer shall be fixed by the Council.

Section 10. Counsel

The duties and authority of counsel shall be fixed by the Council, and he shall be a member of the Council, by virtue of his office.

ARTICLE VI. AMENDMENTS

These by-laws, or any of them, may be altered or repealed, and new by-laws may be adopted at any annual meeting of the members, or at any special meeting called for that purpose, by the vote of a majority of the members represented in person or by proxy and entitled to vote thereat, provided that such proposed change has been submitted to the membership at least thirty (30) days prior to the meeting.

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October 13, 1961

MEMO TO: MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL
From: Paul Anthony, Executive Assistant
Re: Annual Meeting

Plans for the Annual Meeting are now nearing completion. Enclosed is the proposed agenda indicating the dates, times, places and activities of the meeting.

Also enclosed is a form on which will you please indicate (unless you have already done so) whether or not you can be present, the time and place of your arrival (if known), and whether or not you wish us to arrange overnight accommodations for you.

If you have specific requests for overnight accommodations we will be happy to arrange for them if possible. Otherwise, we have arranged with the Rev. M. J. Wynn, President of Gammon Theological Seminary, to have a large number of our members placed in the guest facilities of Gammon. These lovely new facilities are located within walking distance of all of the meeting places.

Accommodations, directions, and other pertinent information will be confirmed on receipt of your request. We will also plan to meet as many of the members as possible at the airport or other point of arrival.

Please try to arrive by late-morning on the 8th and plan to depart no earlier than mid-afternoon on the 9th.

We are hopeful of a large attendance, and urge that you plan to be present, if possible, for the entire meeting. As you will note, Mr. Dabbs will not deliver his Presidential Address until the closing session. We also trust that you will request of us any arrangement that will make your visit more pleasant and more convenient.

Proposed Agenda
ANNUAL MEETING
of the
SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL
November 8-9, 1961
Atlanta, Georgia

November 8

10:00 a.m. Meeting of the Executive Committee
(Board Room - Atlanta University)

12:30 p.m. Lunch and Opening Session
(Atlanta University Dining Hall)
Albert W. Dent, Vice-President, Presiding

2:00 - 4:30 p.m. Business Session
(Atlanta University Dining Hall)
James M. Dabbs, President, Presiding

Report of the Executive Committee
John H. Wheeler, Chairman

Discussion

Financial Reports:
Report of the Secretary-Treasurer
Mrs. Ruth House Alexander

Proposed Budgets, 1962
Paul Anthony

Proposed Grants-in-Aid
Paul M. Rilling

Proposed Change in the By-Laws

Executive Session

Confirmation of Executive Director,
Secretary-Treasurer, and Counsel

Report of the Nominating Committee
Thomas W. Young, Chairman

Election of Officers and Members

Other Business

Reconvene in General Session for Other Business

4:30 - 5:30 p.m. First Program Session

Report on the Fellowship of the Concerned
Mrs. M. E. Tilly

Report of the Southern Leadership Project
Benjamin Muse

General Discussion

7:00 p.m. Dinner
(Atlanta University Dining Hall)
James M. Dabbs, Presiding

John H. Wheeler, Introduction of Panel
Robert J. Harris
Eric Lincoln
Louis Lomax

November 9

9:30 a.m. - 12:30 Second Program Session
(Dean Sage Hall, Atlanta University)
Miss Josephine Wilkins, Vice-President, Presiding

Report of the Executive Director
Leslie W. Dunbar

General Discussion and Consideration of
Future Program

Other Business

1:00 p.m. Lunch
(Atlanta University Dining Hall)
Marion A. Wright, Vice-President, Presiding

Presidential Address

Adjournment

Questions on which the Staff would particularly like to have the thoughts of Members, during the Program Session Thursday morning.

1. How can SRC and the Councils on Human Relations do a more effective job in the small cities and rural areas?

2. With initiative in the civil rights movement now coming from a number of organizations, both new and old, what should be the relationship of SRC to them?

3. The latest "statement of policy and aims of the Southern Regional Council" was adopted in 1951. Do you believe there would be value in a new statement? If you are not prepared to comment on this question now, would you care sometime during the next few months to write your views to President Dabbs?

4. In the 1951 statement, one of SRC's functions was stated as follows:

   To give special emphasis to the development of leadership among promising young Southerners of all races.

   Except through incidental ways, SRC has not discharged this function. Should we attempt it? How?

5. Do you see ways in which you as a member of the Council would like to be more closely involved or publicly identified with its program?

Note:

The staff would be gratified to receive the comments of individual members on any of these questions, after this meeting as well as during it. Any letters received will be shared with the Executive Committee.

Please return to the Southern Regional Council
at your earliest convenience:

I will / will not be at the Annual Meeting on November ~~8~~ 19 and ~~9~~ 20.

Please arrange the following overnight accommodations for me on the nights indicated:*

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*If no preference is stated, as many members as possible will be placed at Gammon Theological Seminary.

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If travel advance is desired, indicate amount here: $ _____

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Signed

A N N O U N C E M E N T S

Included in this packet are:

a. The Proposed Agenda

b. Proposed Budgets, 1962

c. Proposed Changes in the By-Laws

d. Expense Form

The Council is responsible for all expenses incurred in attending the Annual Meeting. Your expense account may be turned in to Mrs. Alexander prior to leaving or mailed to the Council on your return home.

With the exception of breakfast on Thursday morning, all meals will be served at the Atlanta University dining hall. Breakfast may be obtained at Atlanta University from 7:00 to 7:30 a.m. However, if you wish a later breakfast and are staying on campus, a good restaurant - Pascalls - is on Hunter Street within walking distance of your quarters.

Please note that the Thursday morning session is held at Dean Sage Hall, on the Atlanta University campus. This is located directly behind the Atlanta University Administration Building.

Members remaining in the city after the meeting adjourns are cordially invited to visit the Southern Regional offices in downtown Atlanta.

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Operating Budgets and Income Forecast - 1962 3
(Proposed)

SYNOPSIS

Budgeted:		
General Operations	$175,395.00	
Special Projects	112,500.00	
Total		$287,895.00
Income Forecast:		
General Operations (committed)	$ 66,000.00	
Special Projects (expectable)	105,500.00	
Total		$171,500.00
Balance to be Raised:		
General Operations	$109,395.00	
Special Projects	7,000.00	
Total		$116,395.00

P.2 - Proposed Budget, General Operations

P.3 - Projected Income, General Operations

P.4 - Proposed Budget, Special Projects

Projected Income, Special Projects

PROPOSED MINIMUM BUDGETS - 1962

General Operations		Budgeted,1961
Salaries	$105,495.00	($92,200.00) 103,781
Social Security Taxes	2,400.00	(1,900.00)
Travel	9,500.00	(9,500.00)
Telephone & Telegraph	4,500.00	(4,250.00)
Executive Committee and Annual Meetings	5,200.00	(4,000.00)
Consultant Fees & Travel	4,500.00	(2,000.00)
Books & Subscriptions	1,800.00	(1,925.00)
Office Supplies & Equipment	5,500.00	(5,500.00)
New South, Printing and Postage	9.500.00	(9,000.00)
Postage, General	1,700.00	(1,700.00)
Printing	11,500.00	(10,500.00)
Rent	7,200.00	(7,200.00)
Accounting	600.00	(500.00)
Insurance, General & Staff Benefits	5,000.00	(1,600.00)
Miscellaneous	1,000.00	(1,000.00)
Total General Operations	$175,395.00	($152,975.00)

Proposed Minimum Operating Budget - 1962		$175,395.00
Projected Income: (General Operations)		
Committed:		
Field Foundation	$25,000.00	
Taconic Foundation	25,000.00	
M. Ascoli Fund	1,000.00	
A. Levy Fund	1,000.00	$52,000.00
Office Related:		
Individual Contributions New South Subscriptions Interest, Income, etc.	9.000.00	
Churches	3,000.00	
Organizations	2,000.00	14,000.00
Total, Projected Income		$66,000.00
Balance to be raised	$109,395.00	

Special Projects

Southern Leadership Project	$40,000.00	
Grants-in-Aid, State Councils on Human Relations	50,000.00	
Supplementary Aid*	2,000.00	
Fellowship of the Concerned	5,000.00	
Special Fund for Educational Projects (estimated)	7,500.00	
Southern History Project (estimated)	3,000.00	
Research in Pupil Adjustment (estimated)	5,000.00	
Total, Special Projects		$112,500.00

Projected Income (Special Projects)

Southern Leadership Project Rockefeller Brothers Fund	$40,000.00	
Grants-in-Aid, State Councils Taconic Foundation $25,000 Field Foundation 25,000	50,000.00	
Fellowship of the Concerned	-0-	
Special Fund for Educational Projects New World Foundation	7,500.00	
Southern History Project Field Foundation	3,000.00	
Research in Pupil Adjustment New World Foundation	5,000.00	
Total Projected Income		$105,500.00
Balance to be raised	$7,000.00	

*Contingent on funds available

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October 13, 1961

Dear

This letter is being sent to all past members of the Southern Regional Council's Board. As there are now over 200 of you, you will understand why the letter had to be mimeographed.

Our Executive Committee has authorized me to send our most cordial invitation to each of you to attend the Annual Meeting in Atlanta on November 8-9. We would like for you to feel that you are still a part of the work of the Council, and to know of our continuing friendship. We hope that you may find the occasion an opportunity for seeing old friends, as well as for learning of the current activities of the Council.

A copy of the program is enclosed. You will note that there is a business session on Wednesday afternoon. This will be, of course, a closed meeting of present members of the Council. All other sessions will be open to you, including the luncheons and the dinner, where you would be our guests. We regret that we cannot assume your other expenses.

Please let me know if you can attend.

Sincerely yours,

Leslie W. Dunbar

P.S. As you know, we publish occasional reports in addition to New South. If you are not now getting these and would like to be on a mailing list to receive them, please let me know.

Letters for Annual Meeting

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Signed

Free Annual Mtg

October 24, 1961

Mr. Louis Lomax
American Broadcasting Corporation
West 66th Street
New York 23, New York

Dear Louis:

Since I talked with you Saturday I received and read the transcription of your broadcast. I think you did a superb job, and I mean that. You not only handled the news well but your comment was penetrating and, let me say it, instructive.

You made one mistake and I am sure you want me to point it out. The Urban League not only has not dropped out but was the first to drop in; I assume it is still in place.

I am enclosing a copy of the program for our Annual Meeting, and you are free and invited to attend any or all program sessions. I am delighted that you will appear on the panel. Your co-panelists will be Eric Lincoln and Robert Harris; Harris is a distinguished scholar from Vanderbilt, an authority on constitutional law, and author of a good and erudite book last year on the equal protection clause.

I think if each of you speak for ten to fifteen minutes there would be some time left for discussion. We'll frame the topic something like this: Racial Relations in the Changed South; do we point with pride or view with alarm? (I hope none of the panelists will be as long winded as the topic.)

Let me know when you'll come in. Incidentally, our Fellowship of the Concerned meets on the 6th and 7th, bringing together women from all over the South. It might just do your calloused expatriate heart good to look in on them.

Best wishes.

Sincerely yours,

Executive Director

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RADIO BROADCAST ON WRAI BY LOUIS LOMAX — File
October 17, 1961

What is a reporter's responsibility to the people who read what he reports? Indeed, what is the reporter's responsibility to himself? And if you happen to be Negro and a reporter where does you state of being a Negro and your fidelity to being a Negro reporter, where do these things meet, how do they mesh and how do they limit each other?

Some time ago in the course of the normal activity there came to me a moment that comes to every reporter. I came upon a good story, a scoop. For the good of the race because some people saif if I broke the story then I'd muddy the water and the thing wouldn't come to pass, I kept quiet. I've been quiet about the story for the better part of three months now and I'm by no means the only reporter, Negro or White, in the United States who knows the story that I am going to share on this commentary.

And I'm going to share the story not so much as a news event as a comment on the role of leadership organizations, organizations whose leaders are not elected by the masses but rather by a board of directors and yet organizations which stand in the name of the people for the sake of a cause. To what extent then are these organizations responsible to the masses? To what degree do the masses have any right whatsoever to say what these to say what these organizations should or should not do ? In the course of the next few minutes and in the unravelling of this story I hope we can embrace these questions.

Several months ago a New York foundation set aside a sum of money to be used to finance voter registration drives among Negroes, particularly in the South. The money, estimated to be upwards of a quarter of a million dollars was to be given by the foundation to a responsible civil rights organization. The money was earmarked for voter registration only. This naturally raised the question to whom should the money be given. Should it go to the N.A.A.C.P.? Should it go to Dr. Martin Luther King and his Southern Leadership Council? Should it go to the Congress on Racial Equality? Should it go to the Southern Regional Council? Should it go to either one of the student organizations engaged in non-violent attacks on segregation?

After considerable investigation and officals of the foundation decided to call in the heads of the major civil rights organizations themselves and ask that the Negro leaders

participate in the decision as to just how the money should be handled, and who should handle it and how the program should be set up and who indeed should design it. The top spokesman of the N.A.A.C.P., the Southern Christian Leadership Council, C.O.R.E., the Urban League and the two student organizations plus the Executive Director of the Southern Regional Council were all called to New York. They met in the Foundation's headquarters in New York for consultation. The foundation presented these leaders - with one exception they were all Negroes - the foundation presented them with a rather clear civil rights proposition.

We have the money to finance voter registration drives among Negroes, "the foundation said. "Now you as civil rights leaders present us with a plan under which you can unite for concentrated attack on discrimination at the ballot box."

After considerable discussion the meeting adjourned, having agreed only to meet again. Over the next two months two other meetings were held. The representatives of all the major civil rights organizations were there and it was finally decided that the grant would work in this way. The money would be given to the Southern Regional Council, a staid and somewhat conservative, yet very active longtime organization in the area of civil rights. It was decided that the Southern Regional Council would act as a repository for this money and that the other civil rights organizations, that is to say the N.A.A.C.P., C.C.R.E., the students and whomever would design their own attacks on voter registration and they would apply directly to the Southern Regional Council and share in the money to finance their drives.

The entire plan, however, was contingent upon the willingness of the other civil rights organizations involved to work with the Southern Regional Council and the general supervision of the Council as to the expenditure of the money. It was agreed that the Southern Regional Council would circulate among the participating agencies, as the other civil rights agencies were called, a position paper saying just how it would handle the money, how it thought the registration plan would go. Indeed, it was understood that once the participating organizations had ratified this plan and signalled their willingness to work under it the money was already available and off to the polls we go.

Well, about a month ago the Southern Regional Council circulated the plan of action among the participating civil rights organizations. But the Urban League had withdrawn, saying that voter registration was outside their province. Those involved are C.O.R.E., that is the Congress

on Racial Equality, the N.A.A.C.P., the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, the two student non-violent organizations, and of course the Southern Regional Council as repository of the grant. In circulating its position paper the Southern Regional Council said in effect, "This is how we think the voter registration program should be administered. As soon as there is general agreement on approach and as soon as each participating organization certifies the role it is willing to play in the registration drive we can announce the plan and begin work."

That, as I said, was about a month ago. Some of those organizations until this moment have not even replied to that memorandum. As a result a quarter of a million dollars that has already been set aside to crack segregation at the ballot box lie dormant and as of now imperilled for if the various civil rights organizations fail to certify and agree upon some approach to the question there is the disturbing likelihood that the grant may be withdrawn.

Now it is not mine to lecture the nation's civil rights organizations. These organizations are not public property. Organizations like C.O.R.E. and the N.A.A.C.P. and the Southern Christian Leadership Conference were not formed by the masses. They were organized by interested individuals and as such these organizations are responsible to their own boards of directors. But this aside, these organizations do stand in the name of the people, in the name of civil rights. It is inevitable then that persons in foundations interested in giving aid to civil rights causes will call upon these organizations. When civil rights organizations accept this public function then at least, so it seems to me, they also take on public responsibility.

That responsibility is a mandate for these organizations to proceed with all speed and clarity to examine and ratify any offer that will aid the Negro in his eternal battle against bigotry. There is some evidence that this has not been done under the instance under discussion here. I find it incredible that civil rights leaders would take the better part of six months to accept and implement such a program. Here we have a case of an interested foundation being willing to give a large sum of money to underwrite Negro voter registration and here we have a case of civil rights leaders, let's face it, almost all of them Negro, failing to bring the matter to a speedy fruition.

There are, to be sure, some problems involved. For example the Southern Regional Council, the repository of the money, is what many Negroes like to call a white organization and there probably will be some ruffled feathers in Negro circles because some people will feel that the time

has come when the Negro is mature. He doesn't need a white man any more to tell him what to do. But this argument hardly remains valid when one takes a second look and realizes that practically every, in fact every civil rights organization is laced with white people. Therefore one of them can hardly be critical of the Southern Regional Council because some of its top functionaries happen to be white.

Then of course there is the general question of voter apathy. Civil rights organizations have not succeeded in getting Negroes to go to the polls in large numbers in the North. The chances of immediate and dramatic overnight success in the South are not good and it is understandable, organization ego being what it is, that many of these organizations will hesitate to be associated with something that, well, if it's not a failure, will not be an immediate success. For we live in an era of dramatic success where the leader is the man who can go out and slay the dragon in time for a commercial.

Then of course one must recognize the organization ego for what it really is. A peculiar phenomen in our society is growing up of independent organizations doing good jobs in a good cause and having excellent results. Yet somewhoe they become drunk with the wine of their own being and of course when one is critical of them as certainly I know, one gets into a lot of difficulty.

But it seems to me this current situation involving the quarter of a million dollars that we don't have and need so desperately must finally be examined in the light of two current facts. The first is that it is general knowledge that the Kennedy program turns upon the concept that the vote is the answer to the civil rights question. Whether one agrees fully on that proposition with Mr. Kennedy or not is not the question under discussion here. What is under discussion is this. The Kennedy administration has shown over the past six months a rather pleasant willingness to take the ball and go forward in the cause of voter registration.

Just today they have filed suits, one in Louisiana and one in Mississippi. If indeed then we have an administration in Washington which is willing to take the initiative toward voter registration in this phase it would indeed be a great help to them and to the cause of voter registration if a well-run Negro corporation backed by a quarter of a million dollars was also in the field getting people to the polls, overcoming the fangs of bigotry.

The other thing which must be used as a backdrop for this kind of story is the dark and dismal and deplorable continuing story now coming out of Mississippi. Here we

have Negro students, one a girl only fifteen years old, now in reform school. These students have lost sit-ins. They've gone all out for the sake of voter registration. Some of them have been beaten. Others have been kidked, some of them seriously injured.

It is for me, and I speak only for myself, incredible that Negro students in Mississippi are bleeding for the sake of voter registration and Negro leaders in general have been unable to agree upon a plan whereby a quarter of a million dollars have been put at their disposal to overcome the very evil for which our young people are bleeding and for which they are prepared to die.

If one wnats to be a leader that is his job. The least we can ask him to do is to lead.

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October 27, 1961

Mr. Eric Lincoln
Clark College
240 Chestnut Street, S.W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Eric:

Just to confirm - we are delighted that you will be able to speak at our meeting on November 8, 7:00 p.m.; copy of the program is enclosed and hope you will feel free to attend any of the program sessions you may care to.

We would like each of the panelists to speak for ten or fifteen minutes which ought to leave some time for discussion. The topic will be somewhat like this: Racial Relations in the Changed South; do we point with pride or view with alarm?

I hope to get off to you soon a letter regarding your wished for, and most to be wished for institute.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director

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PLEASE CONVEY MY GREETINGS TO THE PARTICIPANTS IN THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL. IN WORKING TO MAKE EQUAL OPPORTUNITY A REALITY IN ALL PARTS OF OUR NATIONAL LIFE, THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL IS ADVANCING THE CAUSE OF ALL AMERICANS. IN PROMOTING GOODWILL AND BETTER UNDERSTANDING AMONG PEOPLE OF ALL RACES, COLORS AND CREEDS, THE COUNCIL IS SERVING NOT ONLY THE SOUTH BUT THE WHOLE COUNTRY. IN SUPPORTING EFFORTS TO SECURE THE FULL CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS OF ALL OUR PEOPLE, INCLUDING ABOVE ALL THE PRIMARY RIGHT TO VOTE, YOU ARE HELPING TO FULFILL THE PROMISE OF AMERICA.

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JOHN F KENNEDY

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MEMBERS WHO HAVE INDICATED
THEY WILL ATTEND
THE ANNUAL MEETING

1. Mrs. E. M. Sparling
2. Miss Dorcas Ruthenburg
3. Dr. A. W. Dent
4. Dr. Stephen J. Wright
5. Mr. Paul Christopher
6. Reverend Hubert Beckwith
7. Mr. & Mrs. J. Ray Shute
8. Mr. W. E. Solomon
9. Mr. S. E. Duncan
10. Mr. H. Franklin Williams
11. Mr. James Stokely
12. Reverend C. S. Cartwright
13. Mr. James E. Stewart
14. Mr. Marion A. Wright
15. Dr. C. G. Gomillion
16. Mr. Courtney Siceloff
17. Mr. Lee B. Thomas, Jr.
18. Reverend Caxton Doggett
19. Dr. James A. Colston
20. Mr. James McBride Dabbs
21. Reverend Duncan Hunter
22. Mr. John H. Wheeler
23. Mr. Thomas W. Young
24. Mr. John A. Griffin
25. Mr. Riley B. Montgomery
26. Mrs. Vivian C. Mason
27. Mr. Irving E. Carlyle
28. Mr. Charles A. Shaw
29. Mr. W. C. Brooke
30. Mr. Samuel Proctor
31. Reverend & Mrs. Thomas Thrasher
32. Mr. Herbert Davidson
33. Mr. I. H. Burney
34. Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton
35. Mr. S. E. Duncan
36. Rabbi & Mrs. Charles Mantinband
37. Mr. E. T. Kehrer
38. Miss Josephine Wilkins
39. Mr. Charles Steele
40. Rabbi Jacob Rothschild

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FORMER MEMBERS

1. Mr. Gordon B. Hancock
2. Mr. J. R. Henderson
3. Mr. George E. Clary
4. Mr. A. L. Kidd

STATE CIVIL CHAIRMEN

1. Reverend Charles C. Walker
2. Father Albert S. Foley

OTHER

1. Mr. and Mrs. Eli Ginzberg

Min8tes for the Annual Meeting
of the Southern Regional Council
November 8 and 9, 1961

The Annual Meeting of the Southern Regional Council began with a session of the Executive Committee, at 9:30 a.m., Wednesday, November 8th, in the Board Room at Atlanta University. Mr. John Wheeler, Chairman, presiding; Mrs. Muriel Berger, recording secretary. ~~List of those attending~~ Those attending is attached were: McBride, Lee Dunbar, J. Wheeler, Rabbi Rothschild, S. J. Wright, Brooks, M. Long, Ruth Alexander, Paul Rilling, Duncan, Josephine Wilkins, Grace Hamilton, Dr. Dent, Paul Christopher,

The Treasurer's report was made by Mrs. Ruth Alexander, Secretary-Treasurer, copy of which is attached. She reported a balance on hand of $38,730.00, that all projects we have undertaken were fulfilled with the exception of the Fellowship of the Concerned, which is suffering from a deficit. Our reserve fund for general purposes is at present $60,000.00. The last check from the Emerson Estate has been received.

The Fellowship of the Concerned held their meeting here earlier this week. It may exceed the budgeted amount, and if there is a deficit we must try to absorb it. Our problem is to try to find some project to replace the grant.

We have usually placed the $3000.00 232.00 from the Emerson Fund into the Reserve Fund but we may have to use it for this purpose. These funds may be used for general purposes.

Motion re. TREASURER'S Report.

It was moved and seconded that we accept the report of the Secretary=Treasurer as read, and that a note expressing the ~~Exxxxxx~~ Executive Committee's appreciation be extended Mrs. Alexander.

Amendment: It was moved and seconded that we follow the usual procedure of placing the Emerson Fund into the Reserve Fund with the Finance Committee having the authority to withdraw this money for use by the Council.

~~It was moved by Miss Josephine Wilkinson, and seconded that we have receive and accepted the report of the Secretary-Treasured, as read, and a note of expression of the Board's appreciated be extended to Mrs. Alexander.~~

~~Amendment: It was moved and seconded that we follow the usual procedure of placing the Emerson Fund into the Reserve Fund with the Finance Committee having the authority to withdraw this money for use by the Council.~~

PROPOSED
BUDGET REPORT

Mr. Paul Anthony, reported on the proposed budget for 1962 which is herewith attached.

Noting the increase in salaries, Mr. Anthony said the Executive Committee voted for a 5% increase in salaries, and the proposed amount also includes the services of a full time receptionist and assistant to the Treasurer. "We are hopeful of a receptionist who can also act as an assistant clerk to the Secretary-Treasurer." We have allowed $2,000.00 for any staff increases during the year.

Les: The $3,000.00 is accounted for by the increase of $4600.00, for one new position at the rate of $3,400.00 which is a figure that we can live within very securely.

The difference between the total operations plan of 1959 and 1961 is accounted for by social security, taxes, state and federal, etc., and staff benefits which was raised by the act of the Executive Committee last year. A couple of the increases is in accord with the 1960 and 1961 spending.

A suggestion was made that the president of the committee review staff and salaries and recommend to the executive committee if this already has been done.

Last year was the first year that a merit increase was given. H. C. Fleming, early in January was to submit recommendations to the Personnel Committee which was done at this Jnuary meeting.

These recommendations should come before the Director; these increases in salaries to the Personnel Committee.

October is when these estimated budgets are made. It is therefore difficult to be exact.

The Southern Leadership Project with a budget of $40,000.00 per year is taken care of by the Rockefeller Fund, who have been requested to renew. The Southern History Project is Mr. Dabb's project.

Mr. Anthony gave explanation of the projects and the available funds for special projects and the financial support for each, and whether they have been committed or not.

Les; Our relations with the Rockefller Foundation has been most cordial in that they take care of $50,000.p0, the New World Foundation $20,000 to $25,000 for the last year. There remains the amount of $30,000.00 to be raised.

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Motions → It was moved and seconded that the Committee addopt the proposed budget with the understanding that it will be adjusted from time to time with the objective that we invite the personnel which might become available.

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Paul Rilling Report.

Mr. Paul Rilling reported on the proposed budget for aid to the State Councils. See budget attached. This is a schedule of state aid by setting up basic budget and a supplementary budget of $2,000.00 which is the requested increase in the state aid funds.

Explanation of some of the changes: We have asked that those funds which are not allocated, but which were appropriated, but each year not claimed be placed in the fund. Kentucky last year received $750.00, and $750.00 in matching funds. Kentucky Council is small operation and we suggest that no money be expressly allocated for Kentucky but that Kentucky be allowed to request funds as needed.

Virginia Council claimed a total of $6000.00. They asked for $7200.00 for 1962. Virginia Council is a stable growing opera tion. They are aiming toward the employment of a two man staff. We are of the opinion that the Virginia Council be encouraged in their endeavor and supported.

Houston Council will have increased the amount they must raise to claim any money. Houston Council is proving itself as a useful force in that city and because we are not placing money in other fields in Texas we feel justified in supporting the Houston Council.

Increases come only in the supplementary/matching funds which means the state councils would have to raise more monies before they may claim any money. All the other councils claimed all the funds availavle. Mr. Rilling explained the matching basic funds formula used by SRC., and also reported on what has been done in Mississippi and Louisiana at a meeting at which 40 people assembled. This group set up local and district committees throughout the State, moving cautiously toward state-wide organization. New Orleans beginning organization but no statewide movement as yet.

Alabama Council received $1200 last year in 1960. There is no deficit in Alabama, and they still have some reserve funds.- an amazing performance of this additional money and functioning.

State Councils are less suspect than ~~last~~ two years ago and are meeting greater acceptance. A growing acceptance in Atlanta and DeKalb toward the Atlanta and Georgia Councils is growing. South Carolina Council is growing in size.

We are being pointed out as a conservative. and I think we are more conservative and are more worthy of their assistance and tolerance in the civil rights field.

Mr. Rilling further stated "it is a strength and also a danger in that the communities regard us as more moderate . There is a danger that we will lose the support of the Negro groups because of being moderate"

Mr Dabbs: "The prompt movement by SRC in the matter of the Freedom Riders assures all that SRC is meeting these new movements of the Negro people.

Dent: Our real opportunity lies in providing techniques on getting things done and finding ways of getting these facts into the hands of the right people. The importance of our work is increasing in dimensions.- in presenting the facts as they are, and setting the information before the right people. This is an important function we intend to stick to.

Paul Rilling: The State Councils are generally able with the matching grant formula to take care of their needs. They think they are getting more money that way, and it strengthens contributions from their own state. They do want more money.

Motion on State Budgets (Wright) ~~Wexm~~ ~~Wexmexexkha~~ ~~and xsecondedx~~ ~~t thexbudgex~~

It is moved and seconded that the proposed budget for State Councils be approved and adopted as read, by Mr. Paul Rilling.

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Motion to Change By-Laws

It was moved and seconded that the Executive Committee accept the proposed changes in the By-Laws in order to change the membership of the Council from 80 to 100 members, and that membership shall hereafter be for a tenure of four ((4) years or until he/she shall have resigned. The By-Laws to read hereafter:as follows:

See attached by laws changes.

PROPOSED CHANGES in By-Laws

It was moved (Rothschild) and seconded that the Executive Committee accept the recommendation that the By-Laws of SRC be changed (see attached proposed changes) in order to increase the membership ~~six~~ from 80 to 100 members, and that a member shall hold office for a tenure of four (4) years or until he shall have resigned, etc.

It was recommended (Rothschild and Wheeler) that hereafter when a member's term of board membership shall have ended that he be notified to that effect, and that he receive a letter of appreciation of his/her services.

Mr. Paul Anthony recommended to the Executive Committee that the proposed changes were necessary to the growth of the Council, and that it was necessary that members could succeed themselves any number of times - thus benefiting the Board in retaining experienced and valued members

This increase in membership would allow us to add 20 additional members - in effect we would increase each class from 20 to 25 members. In the years 1961 through 1964 there shall be at least 12 new members, etc - (see his paper)

Mr. Wright proposed that the office of Honary Membership be instituted, thus affording added membership to the Board.

Les: "Ex-members had been invited to this Annual Meeting and we mean to continue the practice.

Taconic Voter Project Leslie Dunbar reported that last July there was a meeting in New York, a second meeting also in New York in August. Hindsight is all we claim - it would have been better had the Taconic Foundation gone about this thing in somewhat different procedure. They did call together the various agencies to think out the beginnings of this project. It has meant that each step of the way has been hard, and need not have been.

We would prefer that Taconic had put us in charge and then work it out with the various organizations.

We met with the organizations in September and drafted a memo ~~xxxxxx~~ - a letter to the other agencies. We not only had the advice of ~~Joexhaas~~ sub-committees but of Joe Haas. This letter required answers from each of the group. The responses were a little slow coming in and the last reply being received some time in the ~~xxxxxxxxx~~ later part of October - around Oct. 20th. The effect of this was a little unfortunate. ~~Personnelxfactor~~ Personality factors were apparent - and must be taken into account.

Taconic Foundation is very largely Stephen Currier who has been ~~xxxxxx~~ enthusiastic about this undertaking. There was great disappointment in New York that the replies did not come in as promptly as they supposed. NAACP's reply caused great disappointment. NAACP never quite clearly saying yet - we are interested. It is a fact that the letter did set uneasy in New York. The result is that the last week has been involved.

Two weeks ago the Taconic meeting came only an invitation to submit a request for funds to engage a staff to complete the plans for the project.

The Director, Mr. Leslie Dunbar reported on the present status of the Voter Registration Project, stating that after a number of meetings ~~with~~ in New York during the past year with Taconic Foundation and representatives of the leading organizations engaged in civil rights

I expressed disappointment at the position of Taconic. I do think there is a necessity to have a program, and not recruit a staff at least until a program is determined.

Taconic asks for a meeting of minds to talk about a two year program and the sum of a quarter of a million of dollars a year.

In the meantime we met with Internal Revenue Service at Potomac Institute. What we hoped to get is what I think is necessary to have is an advance ruling from the Internal Revenue Department. The memo is being drafted. We look to them for a ruling as to whether it is alright - if it comes in our charter as described as an activity within our charter.

Our controls are going to have to be fairly close, in terms of money, and terms of activity. Apparently we are going to have to excercise fairly close financial controls even requring seperate bank accounts, etc.

We are putting this proposal before the Taconic Foundation and working at the same time getting this IRS ruling, and talking with NAACP and clear up questions in their letter, and begin recruiting someone to head up this project for us.

This all calls for developing a special project with its own budget and consequently, in addition to the project itself, the strengthening of SRC and general operations budget will have to be made and I have so informed Taconic.

McBride: That these organizations could sit down together and formulate a program is a tremendous step forward and a credit to SRC.

Brooks: The Executive Committee commends the work of the staff on this project, and a letter to this effect should be offerred. Leslie accepted on behalf of the staff and Joe Haas.

Les: The question is Are we willing to go along without Taconic? I don't think I would recommend to you that we go on unless the NAACP were a part of this movement but I am optimistic that NAACP will be a party to this movement and that in the long run they might be the least of our headackhes.

Those present at the Executive Committee were:
McBride, Les Dunbar, Dabbs, Rothschild, Wright, Brookes, Maggie Long, Ruth Alexander, Paul Rilling, Duncan, Josephine Wilkins, Grace Hamilton, Dr. Dent, Paul Chritopher, S. J. Wright.

Mr. L. Wright suggested that we write letter to Mr. Leonard Haas of appreciation for his services. Seconded by Mr. Dabbs

Voter Project Motion: It was moved and seconded (Dent) that the Executive Committee give support to the point of view that Les suggests, i.e. NAACP be included in this project and that if we cannot negotiate, that we again consider the matter before making a formal application for funds.

The meeting adjourned to the luncheon in the Atlanta University Dining Hall, at ~~12x22~~ 12:30 p.m. Mr. Dent presiding. Dr. Gordon Hancock, one of the founders of SRC, ~~was~~ spoke of the hard and painful beginning of the Council, and the feeling of pride in the growing ~~ax~~ influence of the Council in ~~xixix~~ civil liberties fields of endeavor.

Business Session:

The Business session convened at 2:00 o'clock, ~~inx~~ ~~the~~ with Mr. Dabbs, presiding.

Mr. John Wheeler, chairman of the Executive Committee reported on the activities of the Committee, giving a summary of action taken by the committee since the last meeting.

(see his report)

Staff commendation on "Federal Executive and Civil Rights" as most significant and useful piece of work performed by SRC. It is now required reading for every member of the Attorney General's staff; according to statement by President Kennedy.

(Joseph Haas, in hospital - asks that greetings be sent)

Motion on Report of Exec. Comm. — Move the adoption of the report of the Executive Committee.

Discussion: On voter project - The Council could not undertake any work that would endanger the Council's tax exempt status.

Les: We can endorse a stand for the repeal of compulsory legislation laws but not focus endorsement on specific legislation.

Stewart of NAACP; "wants to place some money with good honest people. What is the ~~dispxxxi~~ depository?

Mr. Dunbar, the Director, reported on the present Status of the Voter Registration Project, the work of the Council in furthering the project; and stated further that the proposition has been before the SRC during much of the summer and all of the

fall, It is an idea that we developed out of several conferences fox, and with the possibility of several large sums of money for the support of voter registration operations in the Sounts. Funds can be given only to tax exempt agencies. The idea is to make SRC the repository fo these grants and that SRC allocate money to other agencies for the support of their registration work. The SRC is asked to make these hard decisions and allocate these monies. We are gratified at the trust places in us by our friends. We have to be careful in protecting our own tax exempt status. This can be jeopardized. We do intend to extract from this work research findings. We cannot evade the law, we cannot be placed in a position where we might comply with the law but actually not do so. We cannot merely be a channel to place these monies. In sufficient measure we shall have to set the basic policy considered.

Motion: Voter Project — It was moved and seconded (Young) and unanimously adopted, that the

The treasurer, Mrs. Ruth Alexander, gave the treasurer's report which was adopted as read.

Mr. Anthony presented the proposed Budget, and a motion was made and seconded that the proposed budged be adopted subject to any necessary revisions by the Executive Committee.

Mr. Paul Rilling, reported on the proposed budget for the State Councils and announced the following changes in state council staff:

In the Alabama Council, Bob Hewes replaces Norman Jimmerson; in Virginia Council Dan Bowers replaced by Rev. Heslip Lee; in Georgia Council, Rev. Cowart retired and is replaced by Mrs. Frances Pauley; in Atlanta Council is now served by a full time director. Arkansas now has an associate director in Odell Sutton.

In regard self support of the state councils, they raised $50,300.00 which was 50% greater than had been raised in the previous years. They secured for their own suppprt something

around $60,000. The staff feels that more money should be allocated but as we do not have the money in sight, we have set up an actual sum of $50,000, and a supplementary budget of $2,000 which will be allocated to the State Councils as available. Mr.d Rilling repsorted regarding the matching funds theory, and the growth of the state councils in fields of work, and in the esteem of their communities.

The Georgia Council is our largest and most active Council; we have a new director who shows great energy.

All budget amounts are given in quarterly grants and supplementary funds. In each case additional funds were largely in the matching funds catagory.

Kentucky funds were not allocated this year but will be placed on the basis of their needs and the project proposed, and also on the basis of the money they have on hand. They have about $1000.00, perhaps $1500.00, largely in the money allocated in 1961. We are asking that we be allowed to retain these monies in our budget and use them as needed.

Houston Council budgetary amount calls for $6500.00. and an increase in matching funds of about $3,500.00 Houston Council will have to raise $5,500. (Correct these figures from P.R.)

We have no grant planned for organization service in Oklahoma but if necessary we would consider it.

All of our state councils have now obtained their own tax exempt status. When we grant funds to a tax exempt organization we are not responsible further. It is their money and they decide what to do with it. Note, that a city council, such as Norfolk Council, could jeopardize the state council - the Virginia Council.

Question: Hold over of funds: If there is a surplus could it be used by the state groups?

Motion on Grants-in-aid — It was moved and seconded, and adopted unanimously that grants-in-aid by approved as recommended.

Davidson of Fla. Granting aid to the state organizations assumes an undue importance. Without adequate organization ~~the money to provided adequate~~ it is difficult to get the money to provide adequate organiation. I hope that more emphasis on organization in the state can be put on this field of endeavor.

Kentucky asks to meet with the person responsible for the field work meet with them.

Les: The reason that kentucky is left out of next years budget is that last year year Kentucky did not claim the money budgeted for them. The sum of $1500.00. We hope that this will not be regarded as a final financial position with the Kentucky Human Relation Council.

Regarding the more general comments raised by Davidson and Beckwith. It is difficult to discuss to arrange a budget. I an not sure what is the better way to go about it. We have to make hard decisions. It is carried under general operations. Whether it should be a general operational matter or a special project - this matter of the state budgets.....The $2000 additional funds is I know, a very small amount divided among nine counsils. But these funds are to be matched.... I had hoped that we might be able to grant futher financial suppport by enlarging the support of this program by certain foundations.

Motion: Moved and seconded, the adoption of Mr. Rilling's report.

By-Laws Motion

It was moved and seconded to adopt the recommendation of the Executive Committee that the by-laws by amended to enlarge the SRC membership from 80 to 100, etc.

Amendment: That we reword the first proposed change (see attached by-laws) to read as follows: the membership of the corporation shall consist of not more than 100, or leas than 65, and shall beknown as members.

Executive session was held and adopted a motion for the record:

It was moved and seconded, and unanimously adopted, that it is the concensus of the Council in considering nominations for the Council that the staff and the nominating committee give due consideration to the - for example Graham identification with the Council.

(By Dent - get this from Paul - Dent said he would finish it and give it to him)

Mrs. Tilly reported on the Meeting of the Fellowship of the Concerned. Glowing report. ;;;;;;;;;....gave credits to helpers..... about that "nothing" in the budget, have been getting $2000.00 each year from Whitneys, not available this year - going to remind Leslie of the $4000, plus interest, which has been going into the general fund. Greater attendance this year, 12 states represented, great spirit. Frank Graham, principal speaker.

The board voted that in tribute to Mrs. Tilly, it was moved and seconded that Mrs. Tilly is a great lady, she is a great humanitarian, and she is a great lover of peace with constructive action.

Les Dunbar reported on the Southern Leadership Project, substituting for Col. Muse, ill at home.

An educational and research project is now being undertaken by the psychologists, Dr. Coles and his wife, on the problem of the effect of integration on children - studies in New Orleans, in the south, in Atlanta. Dr. Coles and his wife were introduced.

Southern Leadership Project is a rear guard action - and epitomizes the Council's work. It is financed by the Rockefeller Bros. Foundation on a fiscal yearly basis. the concept of which is to reach and influence those who are in position of power. Col. Muse has spent nearly three years in the field...conferences with southern governers, financeers, etc.

(See Les' report on Southern Leadership Project.

L Reports;;;;....several of our publications have been financed by the Leadership Project - the leadership Project funds have also been used to supplement other publications. We have a proposal before tge R.B.F. that the project be renewed another two years and we are hopeful.

The methods and procedures of the project will remain very much as they have been. We would like to concentrate the S.L. project in the Deep South states. Secondly, we hope the S.L. project will supplement a growing concern of the Council, i.e., finding ways of reaching the rural areas in the South. It seems as tho no one has done very much in this field. We feel it is of growing importance.....I hope the Leadership Project will enable us to follow up all opportunities we may find, and supplement problems being iniated and carried out by the U.S. government.

Mr. Brewbaker reported on his activities withs the school superintendents, stateing, his procedure was to state what happened elsewhere, what others did ~~the~~ in like situations - but not telling them what to do. He found himself welcomed and invited to help troubled superintendents to meet the problems caused by integration.... Question ....finds that moderate approach produces neglible results -.....in these early period of transition, it is better to be more selective so that those who are selected (for integration) will make the transition earlier and be better adjusted. Brew answered

Les answer to questions: S.L.Project is achieving results - work has been largely confined to school projects. The sit-in project produced good results- S.R.C. was instrumental in Winston-Salem lunch counter situation. "The record bears me out when I say, in ~~the~~ Southern history, the change, when it has come about, has required two things - the pressure of NAACP, the pressures of the government. The agitation of the students that succeeded has two objectives - in which people can develop - in which opinion can be expressed. ~~The~~ .....The great change which took place in Georgia, the summer of '58 and spring of '59 when it became possible to talk about this question. .....this year in New Orleans it became respectable. Last year it was almost impossible. .....you do not have change until you establish the right of people to talk about it.....the secondary factor is the changed attitude of the state government.....but until the state government withdraws from any change it is almost impossible to have action. This has been the key idea of the Leadership project.

Stewart of Okla. The liason between school groups and the states. The thing that holds back the negro desegregation - insecurity of the Negro teachers themselves. No communication between the white and negro teachers,...what will happen when it comes....suggests that the various school problems be discussed.

Hamilton: Public health and public education also as a need

~~Thursday morning~~
~~Nov. 9th~~

Wednesday, Nov. 8

The Annual Dinner was held ~~Thursday November 9~~ in the Atlanta University Dining Hall. Mr. James Dabbs, presideing. Mr. John Wheeler introduced the ~~panel~~ program of the evening which was a panel discussion by Robert J. Harris, Eric Lincoln, and Louis Lomax on _"" , a provactive discussion was ~~as~~ the finale.

Invocation was made by Rabbi Charles Mantinban

Thursday morning
Nov. 9th. The second program session met in Dean Sage Hall, Atlanta University. Miss Josephine Wilkins presiding. at which the Director of SRC, Mr. Leslie ~~x~~ Dunbar, made his annual report as Director - he was introduced by Miss Wilkins.

Les: I am glad you are here, and I am glad to be here myself. I have not followed the practice that has become customary. H. C. Fleming got his annual report out in advance of delivery. The simple and true reason is that I haven't done it in time which I can rationalize by saying there is a certain something in sending out the report now and not at Halloween time.

I would like to talk with you about what seems to be, to us, of the staff, the key problems of the Council of the next couple of years. After the talk I hope we will have some friendly discussion from you. We have prepared some questions (see attached copy) They are not to limit you--- you are to alk about anything this on your mind. They merely are the things the staff would like to have your comments on.

The task of the Director is not always an easy one. .....a new man that comes into a situation that is in chaoes, and he must lift up an organization and put it on its feet -- .....the opposite is to come into a position that has been well handled, where the problem which confronts the new man is the problem of maintaining the performance of the man who came before.

John Wheeler read the report of the Executive Committee. He read the motion in appreciation of Harold Fleming as Director of SRC. I would like to suggest that you entertain a motion to this effect

Motion: It was moved and seconded by the Executive
HFC Committee that the commendation of the Council for the work as Director of SRC, of H. C. Fleming, be stated in the form of a letter of appreciation of his dedication, and services to the Council.

Lev! We have had some interesting months. Nothing has given me more personal satisfaction and a feeling of accomplishment than "Federal Executive and Civil Rights".....we entered into the field of recommendations to the government....this has involved us all year.....~~it has been most~~
We have also been preoccupied in the development of new program ideas---the idea of voter registration. To increase voter registration in the South---needles to say, if the voter project does materialize it will impose upon the Council ~~x~~ problems as onorous as we have ever undertaken. ....Collaboration with our sister agencies in the ~~fixxxxf~~ field of civil rights....in some instances being a stablizing influence in making a contribution a real contribution to the national welfare. ...I am hopeful that by the first of the year this program may be established.....I would like to mention one other problem, mentioned by P. Rilling. It is our hope that ~~xxxxxx~~ we may re-establish some effective human relations activity in La. and Miss....Bishop B suggested, visiting in Atlanta and in our office, there should be some way that people could join SRC....back in the old days in Mississippi we didn't have any link. The Council turned over its membership to State Councils on Human Relations - something we no longer do...I think we have an obligation to try once again perhaps to undertake this with hopes of greater success....in Miss. & La. I think it is one of the continuing obligations that we try..... (spoke of finances the report) gratitude expressed toward supporting foundations...

-----the South needs to meet itw chalenges in the next couple of years - we need to concentrate our work in these five areas - Deep South--- we need to concentrate more of our activities in the Deep South--it is here where the kind of thing we could do is what the present time has called for - the freeing of public discussion so that there can be expression of opinions--freeing state governments from daily objection to change--to support the Human Relations Councils in these states----we need to consider the problems in the Deep South and in the rural South...I think we stand a better chance of making our influence felt in the rural South and in the Balck Belt....we must realize that the drive for desegregation is going to reach the rural areas-----we must consider whether there are not ways in the next few years where we can extend our influence in rural areas, without changing the character of our organization---in a time of change inthe Souther we must be constrantly alert that we are not adopting postures that conflict with each other....it is a specific thatSRC be a useful organization ....The council has to maintain its more valuable and more valid functions under more difficult conditions of the early period of a changing South--for instance, we have succeeded in obtainig the confidence of the people in what we say and in what we write, and that we have achieved the confidence of the public--this is of tremendous import--they rely on us for research and information--perhaps no orther organization is held in as high esteem - when we say something in print it is relied upon as an objective report of events...it is becoming more difficult to retain this role as interpreter of events in the South with the multiplicity of organizations---we are involved inthe changing currents in the Negro movement---the iniative today is not in any one organization in the South today - we are much more widespread - to maintain our own integrity, our position as an organization that is regarded as a friend and supporter by the entire Negro movement must be our objective. ....Lomax said Lomax said that rights to the question of just what the Negro wanted....One of the great things about the Negro

movement in the United States is that it has never been a movment simply to get gains for a particulur groups of people. I think this is one of thre great blessings of the United States. It has always related its efforts to the larger end of the whole people.....this is not only the Negro movement, I hope it is beginning to be a movement for the decent and healthy minded people in the United States.....our administration in Washington-its activities in a number of fields---they have an awareness and alertness to the implementation of civil rights...for the Council I think this means a responsibility ....where we may supplement useful programs. We have an obligation to perform, to be the honest critic...we must look for what we can do in terms of making federal programs more meaningful and more valid. A beginning in publica tions... employment field...we have undertaken four studies in four cities a report on the opportunities of Negroes in Houston, Texas is the first. .....we have this whole problem of SRC responsibility toward strengthening of Human Relations work in the South---to strenthen the work of the State Councils, this can be done through more effective liason among the State Councils and in which position we may be the catalyist that they should think of themselves as a statewide movement... in the late forties and early fifties, the staff preserved its integrity at the price of failing to achieve the great popularity the founders of the Council felt it should have...the choice to be true to itself ralther than be popular proved best...today, without having comprised the Council, more people have caught up with us---we have not come to meet them, they have come to meet us....the Council has now become a moderate organization.. a great many more people in the South have changed their opinions and attitudes and moved to the opinion were we were .....

Discussion: Davidson of Fla."Larger cities have influence on rural opinion---wants considerable thought be given to working the this field. Work to change editorial opinion

Mrs. White: Suggests that Col. Muse use state and even national radio and T.V. broadcast stations - summer vacation camps.

Stutts: develop a program with various state municipalities and agencies to teach them to handle mobs---the various methods that are being employed whereby assistance can be given to law-abiding citicens in upholding their rights...we need to do an educational job with the state agencies.

Mantinband: Need all our meetings be in Atlanta?---and if in Atlanta, need they all be on the Atlanta University campus? Can't we have one meeting, with or without the dinner, some other place in Atlanta?" Asks that materials of SRC be displayed, and of other organizations--it is important to keep posted--- we need to learn what projects are undertaken otherwise we'll blunder and carry on with little or no information.

Tom Young: Atlanta is the most central and most economical location for a meeting. Important to take what is being done here to rural communities elsewhere. Invites Council to Norfolk for next meeting which has a new Diamond Triangle Motel.

Caxton Dogget: Suggests we hold a public meeting in connection with our Annual Meeting.

~~Miss Wilkins~~

How can Council do a More effective job?

Arkansas: Suggests transporting Negro students to other schools. Thinks our state councils need to work on this and how we can get the Negro children into the schools nearest them.

Dr. Hancock: Many years ago we wanted to work on what the Negro wants....I wrote a memo...took notice of propaganda. All around the country we must be prepared not only to propagandize but to show both sides of this...I am trying to answer these articles of propagandizing nature.

Rothschild: Accused of having a rueful attitude of life, I am I constantly disturbed - by not hearing...that we do something because it is right. We will have to deal with the moral attitude xxkhe....the great potential ...in rural communities ..is the church....go into the rural areas and seek there leadership on the basis of what is moral and right. The churches have been followers rather than leaders and if we can find rural church leaders we might make progress.

NAACP man: What is the SRC - what does it stand for - we get all types of publicity telling how bad things are but not enough about the good things in intregation....

Les: Racial Violence and Law Enforcement was required reading for the Atlanta police force...they even had to write a paper on it. It was used in Savannah...we supplied quantities of it to a number of cities, to two police departments in other cities. We did not have orders from small communities..... to help the southern businessman get over its sigma---those who are not the typical reactionary southern businessman. I am sure some work can be done with these people, particularly with the new companies. A great percentage of the business leadership is young--they are not liberal but they are not against us...these are important people to contact.

Monroe, N.C. there are agencies in the South seeking to get new industries in the South....a most effective tool we have-industrial. Don't believe church will have much effect but industrial attach would be most effective.

S.J.Wright: Employment of negroes in southern region is perhaps the most untouched area wherein we might give attention. Does the Sourthern Regional Council have plans in this direction?

Les: The chances are very good that this employment action will become one that will change schools and public accommodations problem. We have tried to do something...and hope to do other publications. We have the opportunity to furnish staff members to the President's committee. We think this important. We are looking for consultant service which could be made available here. We made a beginning in this direction last summer.

Dent: I am concerned about something that has been fundamental in our policy of SRC...in the type of work we thought we could do best....it would be unfortunate if we publicized our efforts. ....we felt there was no unilatitorial approach, we felt we could not claim sole achievement in any area, more than any other group .....we must not be put in the position of selling ourselves on what we do...we have in many instances gotten the job done without anyone knowing who got the job done....I propose that we not go contrary to our present program...we are not a news grant and distributing agency...we must work on the developing of attitudes.

S.J.Wright: The signifigance of knowing what SRC stands for is what draws the right kind of people in the first place, and makes its voice what is listened to.

2nd Question.

Mrs. White: There are those in the south who are voting and are no better off. This year, the Texas Southern University has accepted the policy of getting out a very large vote. They could use leadership and guidance. SRC could be of tremendous help to them.

Doggett: What is SRC's relationship to NAACp, and other organizations:

Les: We have always worked very closely with other organizations of similar interests. Work closely with ADL on their pamphlet... etc. ...There is a certain amount of competition among all these agencies. I think SRC's rule must be to preserve the civil rights movement in the South....do everything it can over the next few years to see that there is cooperation among these agencies.

Dent: Propose that we refer these suggestions to the staff and that they be referred to the executive committee for the desired action.

Motion- Atlanta Univ. Moved and seconded that we thank the Atlanta University for its courtesy to the Council; also write Mr. Dabbs that we missed his presence at the meeting; also thank Gammon with special word to President Wynn; also put in motion commentdation of the staff and the executive committee for the format of this years meeting; also special word of thanks to the panel at the Dinner Meeting.

That we send greetings to former Director, ~~Rex~~ George Mitchell, Glencoe, Scotland; also Philip Shulhafer letter of condolence; motion to thank Dr. Clement for his hospitality;;also that we missed his presence here.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE TO THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL IN ANNUAL MEETING, NOVEMBER 8-9, 1961

Presented by John H. Wheeler, Chairman

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Since the full Council was last assembled your Executive Committee has met five times to carry out the mandates of the 1960 Annual Meeting and to give policy direction to the staff.

This unusual number of meetings indicates, to some degree, the large number of program and administrative decisions which the Council has faced during the past year. These decisions will be reviewed for you here and in the Director's report on program activities.

Several outstanding Southerners nominated by this body last year have accepted membership in the Council. They are: Dr. Douglas Jackson, Dallas, Texas; Dr. Frank P. Graham, Chapel Hill, North Carolina; Mrs. Charles White, Houston, Texas; and Mr. Wiley Branton, Pine Bluff, Arkansas.

We are pleased that several of these new members are with us today. We welcome them and the contributions they have to make to the deliberations of this body.

There have been a number of major staff changes during the year. On March 10, 1960, Mr. Harold C. Fleming informed the President of the Council of his wish to resign as Executive Director, in order that he might accept the position of Executive Vice-President of the Potomac Institute in Washington, D. C. The Executive Committee met on March 18, to consider this resignation. At that meeting, the Committee unanimously adopted the following statement and motion:

> The Executive Committee of the Southern Regional Council accepts with regret the resignation of Harold Fleming, the Executive Director of the Council for the past four years.
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> The Committee, however, cannot let Harold Fleming go without attempting to express its appreciation of the varied services he has rendered the Council, and through the Council, the South, as Director of Information, Assistant Director and Director through the past fourteen years.

> While directing the Council in ever-widening fields of action, he has at the same time deepened its understanding of and work for the South.
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> He has done this not only through his personal leadership, but also through the recruitment, organization, and direction of a highly capable staff.
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> As a person he has exhibited a remarkable combination of objective detachment and deep commitment. Going now to a related work in the national Capital, he will be the living exponent of what the South has sought for a hundred years, and the Southern American, combining within himself both Southern richness and American directness.
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> The Council lets him go with regret but watches with pride his entrance upon the national scene.
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> It is significant that he goes to his new position during the centennial year of the Civil War, the new Southern American, who himself will help to bridge that old, unhappy gulf.

While accepting this resignation with deep regret, the Committee was reassured by the fact that the Council had within its own staff the talent and leadership from which to choose a successor. Accordingly, after serious deliberation, the Committee unanimously voted that Leslie W. Dunbar, the Council's director of research, be named to the position of Executive Director. It is the Committee's feeling that Mr. Dunbar's experience and achievements before coming to the Council and his services to the Council as director of research, makes him eminently qualified for this position. We look forward to a continuing growth and effectiveness under his direction.

The position of Director of Research has been temporarily filled by Dr. James A. Moss, professor of Sociology at Union College. Dr. Moss has taken a year's leave of absence from his permanent duties in order to serve in this capacity. We learned with regret of the resignation of Mr. John Constable as Director of Information. Mr. Constable is now with the United States Information Agency in Washington, D.C. To fill this position we

were fortunate in securing Mrs. Margaret Long Leonard, author, novelist, and former columnist on the Atlanta Journal. Miss Marge Manderson, formerly Research Assistant has been appointed Administrative Secretary to the Director of Field Activities and her former position has been filled by Mrs. Margaret Boozer, most recently a teacher in the public school system of DeKalb County, Ga.

We are pleased to announce these appointments and feel that the qualifications and dedication of these individuals reflects, in itself, the Council's stature and ability.

There has also been a major change within the Executive Committee. At the first meeting of the year, Dr. Rufus Clement expressed the wish that he not be re-elected to another term as chairman. The Committee regretfully respected Dr. Clement's wish and your present chairman was elected. At a later meeting, as an expression of his long and valuable service, Dr. Clement was presented an inscribed desk pen. In making the presentation, Mr. Dabbs pointed out that Dr. Clement served as chairman of the first meeting of the Incorporators of the Council and had served on the SRC Executive Committee since it was formed in 1944. In his response, Dr. Clement warmly thanked the Committee and pledged his continuing support.

We regret that Dr. Clement cannot be with us due to the fact that the Atlanta University Board is meeting today in New York City. In this regard, a number of persons, particularly those connected with colleges and universities, are finding the date of the annual meeting to be a difficult one. Early in the new year the Executive Committee hopes to consider this problem and to recommend a different date for the meeting of 1962. We would be pleased to have your suggestions on this matter.

The Executive Committee, and a sub-committee established for that purpose, have given considerable deliberation to a proposal whereby the Council would undertake a major research project in the area of voter registration. The matter is still under consideration and the Executive Director will give you more detail on it in his report.

As a continuing responsibility, your Executive Committee remains conscious of the Council's program in regard to the vital area of tax exemption. In February of this

year the Committee adopted the following resolution on SRC's Charter and Tax-Exemption:

RESOLUTION ON SRC's CHARTER AND TAX-EXEMPTION

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WHEREAS, pursuant to advice dated January 29, 1960 from the Chief of the Exempt Organizations Branch of the Internal Revenue Service, this corporation was advised "You will be expected in the future to conform your operations strictly with the 'operational tests' set forth in the regulations;" and

WHEREAS, pursuant to said "operational tests" an organization is not regarded as exempt if it is an "action" organization, which means that a substantial part of its activities is attempting to influence legislation, by propaganda or otherwise, either by contacting or urging the public to contact members of a legislative body for the purpose of proposing, supporting or opposing legislation, or advocating the adoption or rejection of legislation.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is stated to be the policy of this body that no officer, agent or employee of Southern Regional Council shall, in the course of its operations, either contact or urge the public to contact members of any legislative body for the purpose of proposing, supporting or opposing legislation, nor shall any such member advocate the adoption or rejection of any legislation;

RESOLVED: That counsel for the Southern Regional Council be directed, periodically, to scrutinize and evaluate the activities of members of the Staff so as to insure that such activities are consistent with the principles stated in this resolution and in the regulations defining the "operational tests" of the Internal Revenue Service;

RESOLVED FURTHER: That this resolution be read or referred to at every meeting of the Executive Committee, and shall be read at every annual meeting of Southern Regional Council.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That no member of the staff or of the Southern Regional Council has the authority to speak for the Southern Regional Council in matters which are inhibited by the Internal Revenue Code.

February 1961

Last year this body adopted a budget of approximately $270,000. Generally, this rate of expenditure has been maintained. In January, the Executive Committee removed the research department from the special projects category and made this work a part of the general operations budget of the Council. It was the Committee's feeling that research activities have become a basic part of the Council's program.

Later in the year the Committee voted a five per cent raise in staff salaries and inaugurated a plan whereby the Council would pay the full costs for all basic staff benefits. This was done to bring professional staff salaries more in line with the national scale and to make clerical sllaries more competitive with the Atlanta scale. These actions will increase the general operations budget by about $7,000 in 1962.

The Council's general financial condition remains relatively sound. We are pleased to report to you that this year SRC received a $50,000 grant from the Rockefeller Foundation, a major breakthrough for the Southern Regional Council and for the field of human relations. Largely because of this, the Council will end the year without deficit.

However, fund-raising remains the perennial problem. The proposed budget which will be submitted to you today, if approved, will call for approximately $115,000 in funds beyond those now committed. Of that amount to be raised we are hopeful that some $75,000 will come from sources which have contributed in the past. Even if this hope proves justified, approximately 40,000 will have to be raised from new sources. In short, the matter of maintaining support from contributors and that of cultivating new sources continues to be a major concern and activity of the Committee and the Executive Director.

The Council has been able to create a modest reserve fund and during 1961 the Committee placed this fund - of $60,000 - in a separate account under the management of the Trust Company of Georgia. We are hopeful that this fund can be modestly increased each year. We feel that the Council's financial situation is always of such an indefinite nature that it is wise to maintain and increase this small measure of security.

In conclusion, it is the opinion of your Executive Committee that the year has been a good and productive one. We feel that ever increasing activities of the Council and the growing demands being made upon it

are an encouraging indication of the organization's effectiveness and a measure of the confidence which others have in us.

There is nothing in our accomplishments which gives cause for complacency, too much remains undone, and the challenge before us is too great. However, as we approach 1962 - the Council's 19th year of operation - we can do so with the assurance that the Southern Regional Council is a constructive and responsible force in these changing times.

PROPOSED CHANGES IN THE BY-LAWS

Article II. Section 1. Members

A. Now reads: The members of the corporation shall be not more than 80 or less than 64 persons, hereafter called members.

Proposed Change: A. The members of the corporation shall not be more than 100 or less than 64 persons, hereafter called members.

Article II. Section 1.

B. Now reads: A member shall hold office for the four years or until he shall have resigned, died, or been removed in the manner provided by Section 8 of this article. A member may be eligible to succeed himself; however, there shall be at least five new members elected each year.

Proposed Change:

B. A member shall hold office for the four years or until he shall have resigned, died, or been removed in the manner provided by Section 8 of this article. A member may be eligible to succeed himself. In the years 1961 through 1964, there shall be at least ten new members elected each year. Thereafter, there shall be at least five new members elected each year.

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC

Operating Budgets and Income Forecast - 1962
(Proposed)

SYNOPSIS

Budgeted:		
General Operations	$175,395.00	
Special Projects	112,500.00	
Total		$287,895.00
Income Forecast:		
General Operations (committed)	$ 66,000.00	
Special Projects (expectable)	105,500.00	
Total		$171,500.00
Balance to be Raised:		
General Operations	$109,395.00	
Special Projects	7,000.00	
Total		$116,395.00

P.2 - Proposed Budget, General Operations

P.3 - Projected Income, General Operations

P.4 - Proposed Budget, Special Projects

Projected Income, Special Projects

PROPOSED MINIMUM BUDGETS - 1962

General Operations		Budgeted, 1961
Salaries	$105,495.00	($92,200.00)
Social Security Taxes	2,400.00	(1,900.00)
Travel	9,500.00	(9,500.00)
Telephone & Telegraph	4,500.00	(4,250.00)
Executive Committee and Annual Meetings	5,200.00	(4,000.00)
Consultant Fees & Travel	4,500.00	(2,000.00)
Books & Subscriptions	1,800.00	(1,925.00)
Office Supplies & Equipment	5,500.00	(5,500.00)
New South, Printing and Postage	9.500.00	(9,000.00)
Postage, General	1,700.00	(1,700.00)
Printing	11,500.00	(10,500.00)
Rent	7,200.00	(7,200.00)
Accounting	600.00	(500.00)
Insurance, General & Staff Benefits	5,000.00	(1,600.00)
Miscellaneous	1,000.00	(1,000.00)
Total General Operations	$175,395.00	($152,975.00)

Proposed Minimum Operating Budget - 1962		$175,395.00
Projected Income: (General Operations)		
Committed:		
Field Foundation	$25,000.00	
Taconic Foundation	25,000.00	
M. Ascoli Fund	1,000.00	
A. Levy Fund	1,000.00	$52,000.00
Office Related:		
Individual Contributions New South Subscriptions Interest, Income, etc.	9.000.00	
Churches	3,000.00	
Organizations	2,000.00	14,000.00
Total, Projected Income		$66,000.00
Balance to be raised	$109,395.00	

Special Projects

Southern Leadership Project	$40,000.00	
Grants-in-Aid, State Councils on Human Relations	50,000.00	
Supplementary Aid*	2,000.00	
Fellowship of the Concerned	5,000.00	
Special Fund for Educational Projects (estimated)	7,500.00	
Southern History Project (estimated)	3,000.00	
Research in Pupil Adjustment (estimated)	5,000.00	
Total, Special Projects		$112,500.00

Projected Income (Special Projects)

Southern Leadership Project Rockefeller Brothers Fund	$40,000.00	
Grants-in-Aid, State Councils Taconic Foundation $25,000 Field Foundation 25,000	50,000.00	
Fellowship of the Concerned	-0-	
Special Fund for Educational Projects New World Foundation	7,500.00	
Southern History Project Field Foundation	3,000.00	
Research in Pupil Adjustment New World Foundation	5,000.00	
Total Projected Income		$105,500.00
Balance to be raised	$7,000.00	

*Contingent on funds available

Annual Meeting
1961

November 29, 1961

Dr. S. E. Duncan, President
Livingstone College
Salisbury, North Carolina

Dear Dr. Duncan:

The By-Laws of the Southern Regional Council require that a certain number of new members be elected each year. With a fixed membership size, such as we have, this requirement causes the non-reelection of some members each year. I am sure that you will understand that to make these choices is a very hard task for the Nominating Committee, and later for the Council as a whole. This year, the Nominating Committee was strongly influenced in its recommendations by geographical considerations.

As a member of the Class of 1961, your term on the Council ended this year and I regret very much to inform you that you were not re-elected at the Annual Meeting on November 8. Your colleagues in the Council wished that I express to you their deep thanks for your past service, and their hope that you may some later year be willing to accept membership again. I add my personal endorsement of these expressions.

If you care to continue receiving Council publications, please let me know. I hope you will.

With best regards,

Sincerely yours,

Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director

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Attached letter written to:

John P. Nelson, Jr.
New Orleans, La.

Dr. A. D. Beittel
Tougaloo, Miss.

Mrs. Vivion Brewer
Scott, Arkansas.

Andrew M. Secrest
Cheraw, S.C.

The Rev. Kelly M. Smith
Nashville, Tennessee

David Scull
Annandale, Va.

Cody Fowler
Tampa, Florida

McNeil Smith
Greensboro, N.C.

The Rev. M. D. McCollom'/
Orangeburg, S.C.

The Rev. Theodore Gibson
Miami, Florida

L. Crawford Brock
Bc. Joe Hagan

November 22, 1961

The Rev. M. D. McCollom
191 Boulevard, N. E.
Orangeburg, South Carolina

Dear Mr. McCollom:

It is with great pleasure that I invite you to membership on the Southern Regional Council. At our recent ~~Annual Meeting~~ meeting, it was unanimously voted that this invitation be extended and I was instructed to do so.

The Council has a membership of eighty-five Southerners drawn from twelve states, both races, the major religious faiths and denominations, and a wide range of occupations. The full membership meets only once a year to transact the important business of the organization and to formulate its guiding policies. Between Annual Meetings, an Executive Committee elected by the members meets four or more times to give the staff policy direction. Reports on program and finances are sent periodically to all members.

Thus membership on the Council imposes no burdensome or time-consuming duties. But it does provide a meaningful and informed voice in the direction of the Council, which we feel is performing a vital service to the growth of democracy and good human relations in the South. I greatly hope you will share this view of the Council's value and will do us the honor of accepting a position of leadership in it.

I am enclosing several documents which describe briefly the Council's history, aims, and recent activities. If you would like more information on any point, please call on me for it.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely,

Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director

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LESLIE W. DUNBAR,
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

A Council to attain the ideals and practices of equal opportunity for all peoples in the South

October 5, 1961

MEMO TO: Members of the Council
FROM : Paul Anthony, Executive Assistant
RE : Proposed Change in the By-Laws

At the Executive Committee Meeting on November 8th, prior to the Annual Meeting, the staff will propose a change in the By-Laws, as given below. If the Executive Committee approves of this change it will be brought before the full Council for a vote. This information is being sent you, in meeting the requirement of the By-Laws that any proposed change be brought to the attention of the members at least 30 days before the Annual Meeting.

PROPOSED CHANGES:

Article II. Section 1. Members.

A. Now reads: The members of the corporation shall be not more than 80 or less than 64 persons, hereafter called members.

Proposed Change: A. The members of the corporation shall be not more than 100 or less than 64 persons, hereafter called members.

Article II. Section 1.

B. Now reads: A member shall hold office for the four years or until he shall have resigned, died, or been removed in the manner provided by Section 8 of this article. A member may be eligible to succeed himself; however, there shall be at least five new members elected each year.

Proposed Change:
B. A member shall hold office for the four years or until he shall have resigned, died, or been removed in the manner provided by Section 8 of this article. A member may be eligible to succeed himself. In the years 1961 through 1964, there shall be at least ten new members elected each year. Thereafter, there shall be at least five new members elected each year.

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Proposed change in the By-Laws of the Southern Regional Council.

Article II. Section 1.A. The members of the corporation shall be not more than 80 (change to 100) or less than 64 persons, hereafter called members.

a Suggested procedure if the change is made: Each class, now consisting of 20 members, shall as classes are re-elected, be increased by 5, to 25 members. Thus in 1961 and three years thereafter, an additional five members would be added until the total maximum might be 100 by the election of 1964.

Reasons for this proposal: Over a period of years the Council has been fortunate in securing a number of outstanding members. This process has led to our current situation where we have a collection of idstinguished persons whose experience, skills, and cooperation are valued by the organization. In fact, the Nominating Committee each year is faced with a formidable problem in determing suggestions for re-election. The By-Laws require that at least five new members must be elected each year. For obvious reasons this is a desirable requirement. However, because of the caliber of Council membership it is difficult to reach a decision on removing at least five persons (less resignations). This difficulty understandably assures that generally no more than the minimum of five new members will be elected each year.

Under normal circumstances this would be a good arrangement. At this particular time in the region, however, an unusual opportune time exists to involve a wider range of outstanding persons in the work of the Council. Leaders, who a

To: LWD
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few years ago might have been reluctant about a public association with the organization are now more disposed to do so. Also, the new and vigorous leadership emerging in the region should be represented in the Council; contributing to and profiting from, the Council's deliberations.

The proposed arrangement would assure that for four years the Council would have an opportunity to elect at least ten new members. (five required by the By-Laws and an additional five allowed by this change.)

It is true that Council membership should not become so large as to become unwieldy. A maximum of 100 members seems to be within this requirement, and indeed be a more adequate symbol of the organization; a Council of distinguished Southerners representing all of the interests of the region, brought together with the mutual interest of progress from within.

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SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

ARTICLE I. NAME, AREA, AND PURPOSES

Section 1. Name. The name of this organization shall be the Southern Regional Council, Incorporated. The terms "Council" or "Corporation" used hereafter in these by-laws shall mean the "Southern Regional Council, Incorporated."

Section 2. Area. For the purposes of this corporation the Southern Region shall be defined as embracing the States of Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, and Virginia. All members of the corporation shall be residents of this area. This area may be increased or reduced at any annual meeting of the members as hereinafter defined. Caps

Section 3. Purposes. The purposes of the Southern Regional Council are to exist and function as an eleemosynary organization, and more particularly to organize and maintain a Regional Council and to cooperate with like State organizations in the Southern Region for the improvement of economic, civic, and racial conditions, in the endeavor to promote a greater unity in the South in all efforts towards regional and racial development; to attain through research and action programs the ideals and practices of equal opportunity for all peoples in the region; to reduce racial tension, the basis of racial tension, racial misunderstanding, and racial distrust; to develop and integrate leadership in the South on new levels of regional development and fellowship; and to cooperate with local, state, regional, and national agencies on all levels in the attainment of the desired objectives. The Council shall not engage in carrying on propaganda or otherwise attempt to influence legislation nor engage in any form of political activities.

ARTICLE II. MEMBERS

Section 1. Members.

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Substitute see attached

A. The members of the corporation shall be not more than ~~80~~ 100 or less than 64 persons, hereafter called members.

B. A member shall hold office for four years or until he shall have resigned, died, or been removed in the manner provided by Section 8 of this article. A member may be eligible to succeed himself; however, there shall be at least five new members elected each year. insert new Section a

C. Successors to members shall, upon expiration of terms or death, resignation, or removal, be elected by all members of the corporation, at the next meeting, following occurrence of such vacancy; except that, in intervals between annual meetings, the Executive Committee shall be empowered to fill vacancies in the membership of the Council.

Section 2. Notice of Meetings and Membership Rights.

A. Notice of the place, day, and hour of every regular and special meetings shall be given to each member not less than ten (10) days before the meeting, by delivering the same to him personally, or sending the same to him by telegraph or telephone or by leaving the same at his last known post office address, according to the records of the corporation. It shall not be requisite to the validity of any meeting of the Council that notice thereof shall have been received by any member who is present thereat or, if absent, waives notice thereof in writing filed with the records of the meeting either before or after the holding thereof. No notice of any adjourned meeting of the Council need be given.

B. The rights of any member in the corporation shall not be assignable or transferable, except in the case of proxies, as provided in Section 4 of this article and his rights shall cease with death, resignation, or termination of membership for any cause.

Section 3. Voting.

Each member shall have one vote and, except in cases in which it is by the charter or by these by-laws otherwise provided, a majority of the votes cast shall be sufficient to elect and to pass any measure. Voting by mail may be conducted on such questions and in such manner as may be provided by the Executive Committee.

Section 4. Proxies.

Any member entitled to vote at any meeting of members may vote either in person or by proxy. All proxies shall be given to members of this body only, and each one shall designate the name of the member who shall act as proxy. Every proxy shall be in writing, subscribed by the member, or his duly authorized attorney, and dated, but need not be sealed, witnessed, or acknowledged. Proxies shall be delivered to the secretary of the corporation before such meeting or to the inspectors at the meeting.

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11pm - lunch
2pm - business 5:30
7pm - dinner
Thurs. 9th 9:30-12:30
1:pm - lunch
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Section 5. Annual Meetings.

The corporation shall hold annually a meeting for the election of officers and for the transaction of general business at its principal office in Atlanta at ten o'clock a.m. on the second Wednesday in November in each year, if not a legal holiday, or at such other place and such other time as may be designated by the Executive Committee, provided notice of such meeting, including day, hour, and place, shall be given each member of the Council in writing at least thirty days in advance. Such annual meetings shall be general meetings; that is to say, open for the transaction of any business within the powers of the corporation without special notice of such business, unless otherwise provided in these by-laws.

Section 6. Special Meetings.

At any time in the interval between annual meetings, special meetings may be called by the president or any ten (10) members.

Section 7. Quorum.

Fifteen members of the Council shall be necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at every meeting of the members; but if at any meeting there be less than a quorum present, a majority of those present may adjourn the meeting from time to time, but not for a period of over fifteen (15) days at any one time, without notice other than by announcement at the meeting until a quorum shall attend. At any such adjourned meeting at which a quorum shall be present, any business may be transacted which might have been transacted at the meeting as originally notified.

Section 8. Removal.

At any meeting called with that purpose stated in the call, any member may, by a majority of the votes cast, be removed from office for cause, and another be appointed in the place of the person so removed to serve for the remainder of his term. Permanent change of residence or citizenship to a point beyond the area, as defined in or pursuant to Article I, Section 2, will automatically terminate the membership of one so changing residence or citizenship.

ARTICLE III. FELLOWS

The Council may award honorary fellowships, not exceeding one hundred (100) in number, to Southerners who have demonstrated exceptional talent for constructive leadership.

Fellows shall be chosen in such manner as the Council may prescribe, provided they are well distributed as to race, sex, creed, occupation, and place of residence. The duties of fellows shall be to cooperate with the Council as observers, advisers, correspondents, and special representatives. Fellows may receive such honoraria or reimbursement of expenses incurred at the request of the Executive Committee as the Council may direct. The term of a fellowship shall be for two years, unless otherwise provided by the Council, and fellowships may be renewed or withdrawn at the discretion of the Council. Fellows need not be members of the corporation.

ARTICLE IV. COMMITTEES

Section 1. Executive Committee.

The Council shall provide for an Executive Committee of not more than nine (9) members in addition to the president and vice-presidents, treasurer and counsel. The Executive Committee shall serve during the pleasure of the Council and may be discharged and the Committee abolished at any time by the Council. Unless one of the members shall have been designated as chairman by the Council, the Executive Committee shall elect a chairman from its own number. During the intervals between the meetings of the Council the Executive Committee shall possess and may exercise all of the powers of the corporation, conferred by these by-laws or the charter of the corporation, in all cases in which specific directions shall not have been given by the Council. The Executive Committee shall keep full and fair accounts of its transactions. All action by the Executive Committee shall be reported to the Council at its meeting next succeeding such action, and shall be subject to revision and alterations by the Council; provided that no rights of third persons shall be effected by any such revision or alteration. Vacancies in the Executive Committee shall be filled by the Council or the Executive Committee itself during the interim between the Council meetings. All vacancies shall be filled from among members of the Council.

Section 2. Meetings of Executive Committee.

The Executive Committee shall fix its own rules of procedure, and shall meet as provided by such rules or by resolution of the Council, and it shall also meet at the call of the chairman or of any three members of the Committee. A quorum of the Executive Committee shall consist of not less than five (5) members of the Committee. If necessary, members of the Executive Committee may by written notice appoint a proxy from among the members of the Council to attend and vote on behalf of such members.

Section 3. National Advisory Committee.

The Council may establish a National Advisory Committee, composed of persons who reside outside the area of the Southern Regional Council and who are sympathetic with the aims and policies of the Council, whose purpose shall be to advise the Council on matters pertaining to its work.

Section 4. Nominating Committee.

There shall be a Nominating Committee of not less than five (5) members. Three members shall be elected by the Council from its membership at its annual meeting. Two members shall be appointed by the joint action of the President and the Executive Committee. The Nominating Committee shall meet not less than thirty (30) days before the annual meeting for the purpose of nominating: (1) members of the Council, (2) officers of the Council, (3) members of the Executive Committee and (4) three members of the succeeding Nominating Committee. As provided in Article II, Section 1-B, the Nominating Committee shall include the names of at least five new persons in its slate of nominees.

Section 5. Other Committees.

The Council may by resolution provide for such other standing or special committees as it deems desirable and may discontinue the same at pleasure. Each such committee shall have such powers and perform such duties, not inconsistent with these by-laws, as may be assigned to it by the Council. If provision be made for any such committee, the members thereof shall be appointed by the Council. Vacancies in such committees shall be filled by the Council or by such committee or officer as the Council may authorize to fill such vacancies.

ARTICLE V. OFFICERS

Section 1. Executive Officers.

The executive officers of the corporation shall be a president; one or more vice-presidents, not to exceed four; an executive director; one or more assistant directors, a secretary, and a treasurer. The president, vice-presidents, and treasurer shall be chosen from among the members of the corporation. The executive director, assistant directors, and secretary shall not be members of the corporation. The offices of secretary and treasurer may be held by the same person, in which case the secretary-treasurer shall not be a member of the corporation. The president and vice-presidents shall be elected annually by the Council. The executive

director and assistant directors, secretary-treasurer, and counsel shall be subject to confirmation annually by the Council, upon the recommendation of the Executive Committee. Officers shall hold office until the corresponding meeting in the next year, and until their successors shall have been fully chosen and qualified, or until they shall have resigned or shall have been removed, in the manner provided in Article II, Section 8. Any vacancy in any of the above offices shall be filled for the unexpired portion of the term by the Council, at any regular or special meeting.

Section 2. President.

The president of the corporation shall serve as chairman of the Council. He shall, when present, preside at all meetings of the Council, and he shall perform such other duties as, from time to time, may be assigned to him by the Council.

Section 3. First Vice-President.

At the request of the president, or in his absence or disability, the first vice-president shall perform all the duties of the president; and when so acting shall have the powers of the president; and shall perform such other duties as, from time to time, may be assigned to him by the Council.

Section 4. Additional Vice-Presidents.

Each additional vice-president, if any, shall perform the duties of the office in order of his rank and shall have such powers and perform such duties as may be assigned to him by the Council.

Section 5. Executive Director.

The executive director shall be charged with the execution of the program and policies of the Council as defined by the Council, and shall be responsible directly to the Council. He shall have general charge and supervision of the employed personnel of the Council, he may sign and execute, in the name of the corporation, all authorized deeds, mortgages, bonds, contracts, or other instruments, except in cases in which the signing and execution thereof shall have been expressly delegated to some other officer or agent of the corporation; and he shall perform such other duties as, from time to time, may be assigned to him by the Executive Committee or by the Council.

Section 6. Assistant Directors.

The Assistant directors shall work in cooperation with the executive director in the administration of the program and policies of the Council. In the absence or disability of the executive director, one of the assistant directors will be designated by the executive director, or by the executive committee, to perform, temporarily, the duties of executive director.

Section 7. Secretary.

The secretary shall keep the minutes of the meetings of the Council and of the Executive Committee, in books provided for the purpose; he shall see that all notices are duly given in accordance with the provisions of these by-laws, or as required by law; he shall be custodian of the records and of the corporate seal or seals of the corporation; he shall see that the corporate seal is affixed to all documents, the execution of which, on behalf of the corporation, under its seal, is duly authorized, and when so affixed may attest the same; and, in general, he shall perform all duties incident to the office of a secretary of a corporation, and such other duties as, from time to time, may be assigned him by the Council or by the by-laws.

Section 8. Treasurer.

The treasurer shall have charge of and be responsible for all funds, securities, receipts and disbursements of the corporation, and shall deposit, or cause to be deposited, in the name of the corporation, all monies or other valuable effects in such banks, trust companies, or other depositories as shall, from time to time, be selected by the Council; he shall render to the president and to the Council annually, and at other times whenever requested, an account of the financial condition of the corporation; and, in general, shall perform all duties incident to the office of a treasurer of a corporation, and such other duties as may be assigned to him by the Council.

Section 8A. Secretary-Treasurer.

All or some of the duties contained in Sections 7 and 8 may be assigned to one person. This person will be designated Secretary-Treasurer.

Section 9. Controller.

The office of controller may be created by the Council, and the duties and authority of such officer shall be fixed by the Council.

Section 10. Counsel.

The duties and authority of counsel shall be fixed by the Council, and he shall be a member of the Council, by virtue of his office.

ARTICLE VI. AMENDMENTS

These by-laws, or any of them, may be altered or repealed, and new by-laws may be adopted at any annual meeting of the members, or at any special meeting called for that purpose, by the vote of a majority of the members represented in person or by proxy and entitled to vote thereat, provided that such proposed change has been submitted to the membership at least thirty (30) days prior to the meeting.

NOTE: Amended version, approved by the full Council, November 11, 1959.

" 8-9, 1961

Same letter sent to all State Council Chairmen, with the exception of Texas, as shown on attached list. Copies forwarded to ~~all~~ each Executive Director~~s~~.

October ~~13~~ 22, 1961

Father Albert Foley
Spring Hill College
Mobile, Alabama

Dear Father Foley:

The Annual Meeting of the Southern Regional Council will be held in Atlanta on November ~~8-9~~ 19 + 20. Our Executive Committee has authorized me to invite you, as chairman of a state Human Relations Council, to attend.

I hope very much that you will be able to do so. There needs to be close ties between SRC and the state councils. Our members will also be glad for the opportunity of getting to know you better.

A copy of the program is enclosed. You will note that there is a business session on ~~Wednesday~~ Monday afternoon. This will be, of course, a closed meeting of Council members. All other sessions will be open to you, including the luncheons and the dinner, where you would be our guest.

We shall also be pleased to take care of your room expense while in Atlanta. Regrettably, we cannot assume your other travel costs.

Please let me know if you can attend.

Sincerely yours,

Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director

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Enclosure

cc: ~~Mr. Norman Jimerson~~

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Leslie W. Dunbar, Executive Director James M. Dabbs, President

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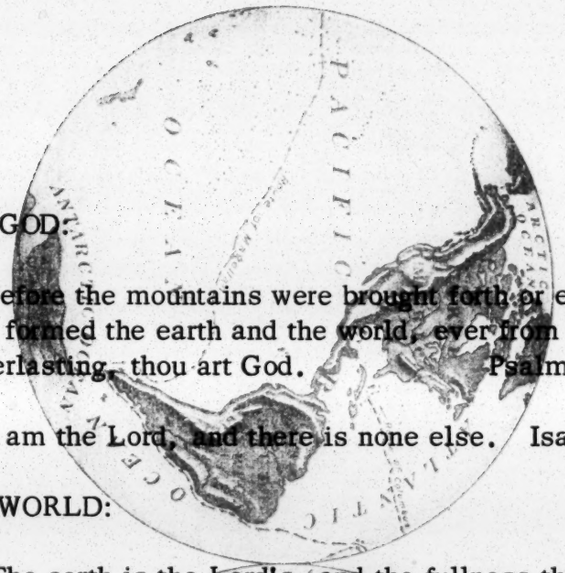


ONE GOD:

Before the mountains were brought forth or ever thou hadst formed the earth and the world, ever from everlasting to everlasting, thou art God. Psalms 90:2

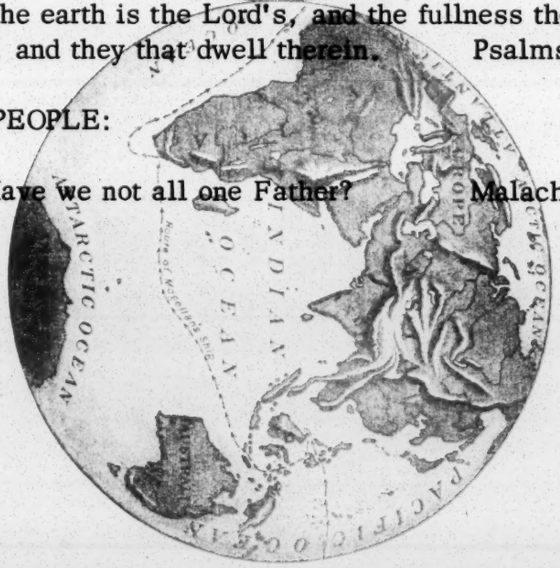
I am the Lord, and there is none else. Isaiah 45:6

ONE WORLD:

The earth is the Lord's, and the fullness thereof; the world, and they that dwell therein. Psalms 24:1

ONE PEOPLE:

Have we not all one Father? Malachi 2:10



"The spirit of liberty is the spirit which is not too sure that it is right ... which seeks to understand the minds of other men and women ... remembers that not even a sparrow falls to earth unheeded ... It is the spirit of Him who ... taught mankind that lesson it has never learned but has never quite forgotten; that there may be a kingdom where the least shall be heard and considered ... with the greatest." -------Judge Learned Hand

ONE GOD

God is the God of every race and nation. No belief in God is adequate unless it is a belief in an all-inclusive God. He is a God of justice, mercy and love. He cannot be a racial or national God. He cannot be a class God. He is a God of all people. --Benjamin Mays, "Seeking to be Christian in Race Relations."

ONE WORLD

Whose world - Does the world belong to some of us more than to the rest of us? To strong nations more than weak ones? To the West or to the East? To man or to God? --From "Whose World" - John S. Wood

Wendell Wilkie did not discover one world; God made one world.

Never before has the world's oneness been so apparent, never before has its adversities been so evident and its glaring disparities been so clear.
--W. Richey Hogg, "One World, One Mission"

ONE PEOPLE

There is only one man in the world and his name is ALL MEN.
-- Carl Sanburg, "The Family of Men"

The human family is one, whatever be their nationality, language, religion, color, social standing, culture or political opinions. All members of this family have an equal nobility. -- From Father Dominique Georges Pire's Address at Dedication of the Gandhi International Youth Center in Huy, Belgium

The Glorious Mix-Up on the Day of Pentecost

When the Spirit of God moved the hearts of the listeners as well as those of the apostles, people of sixteen nationalities and three continents were baptized into the Christian Church and made members of the fellowship of the Holy Spirit. Across the diversity of language, color, custom and culture the will of God cut sharply and three thousand new members of the church rejoiced in their experience of real unity.

It was no accident that God chose such a motley crowd on which to bestow His gifts of faith, cleansing and brother love. Pentecost was a mighty demonstration of His purpose ". . . that they may all be one." It was the undoing of Babel which sent the tribes of men stumbling along their separate and quarrelsome ways.
-- Theodore E. Matson, "Edge of the Edge."

Copies also sent to: JH, CP, JFB, BW.

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL
Atlanta 3, Georgia

December 21, 1960

MEMORANDUM

To: Executive Committee Members

From: Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

Re: Next Meeting of the Executive Committee.

The next meeting of the Executive Committee has been set for Thursday, February 2nd. The meeting will be held at the SRC office, beginning at 10:00 a.m. and ending at 3:00 p.m.

On the enclosed card please let us know as soon as possible whether or not you can attend. This first meeting of the year is an important one, and we do hope that it will be possible for you to be here.

We will, of course, be happy to provide a travel advance, make reservations, or otherwise be of help.

We look forward to seeing you on February 2nd.

encl. - 1.

January 20, 1961

Mr. Joseph Haas
1116 First National Bank Building
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Joe:

In reviewing the minutes of the last Executive Committee meeting prior to preparing an agenda for the one of February 2nd, two items turn up which, regrettably, concern you.

One, you will recall, concerns the resolution pertaining to SRC's charter and tax-exemption. This resolution was to set forth the Council's awareness of the inadequacy of the charter -- as interpreted by the Internal Revenue Service - and to establish the policy that, were in doubt or question, the SRC is to be guided by the standards set forth in the Internal Revenue Service regulations. We erroneously reported in the last minutes that the resolution was attached - actually, only the sense was approved.

If you are able to take care of it by February 2nd, the Committee might approve the resolution prior to approving the minutes.

The second matter concerns the committee of attorneys who are members of the Council. We have not moved on this primarily because of the pressure of more immediate matters during the past several months. It has occured to me that we might ask Ben Muse to take charge of the staff work connected with this effort. Ben will be traveling extensively in the South during the next few months and he might be able to call on some of the SRC attorneys and others if the need arose.

You made a number of suggestions about the functions which this committee could perform. I wonder if it would be possible for you to discuss this with Ben who will be in Atlanta on February 1. If so, ~~would~~ could report your reactions and ideas to the Committee on the 2nd.

We were glad to have word that you can be at the meeting on the 2nd. As a matter of fact we also need to have a brief meeting of the Finance Committee concerning our investments. Perhaps we can do that in conjunction with the meeting of the 2nd. That will at least spare you one demand on your time!

Warm regards.

Sincerely,

Harold C. Fleming
Executive Director

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SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

MEMORANDUM January 20, 1961

To: Executive Committee Members

From: Harold C. Fleming
Executive Director
Southern Regional Council

Re: SRC ACTIVITIES SINCE LAST MEETING.

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In order to eliminate as much reporting as possible at the forthcoming meeting on February 2, the professional staff members have prepared the brief, informal summaries which follow.

It would be trite to say that the period was an exceptionally busy one; a frenetic pace seems to have become routine for SRC. It has to be said, however, that the volume of demands which we can neither control nor evade drastically limit our ability to initiate new programs of our own devising. This is a chronic frustration for the staff and at times, I am sure, for you.

Following are some of the main time-consuming events of the past few months:

(1) The major Southern crises: New Orleans, in which we have been heavily involved, especially Paul Rilling; the prolonged sit-in controversy in Atlanta, still unresolved; the very recent episode at the University of Georgia, and the public school developments in Georgia.

(2) The Annual Meeting, with its attendant administrative detail, before and after.

(3) A series of important conferences, in which SRC staff had major responsibilities: Mrs. Tilly's Fellowship of the Concerned, the National Association of Intergroup Relations Officials, the Twentieth Century Fund, and others.

(4) SRC's hostly responsibilities in connection with the Georgia visit of the Field Foundation board.

(5) Planning and preparation of our report on The Federal Executive and Civil Rights, including a Washington conference, much internal discussion, the drafting, and voluminous correspondence.

(6) An unusually heavy flow of foreign visitors, especially South Africans; the yearly average is now more than one foreign visitor per working day.

(7) Preparation and submission of the usual array of year-end fund requests, including a major new application which the Rockefeller Foundation has agreed to consider.

Brief reports by the professional staff members follow:

January 23, 1961

RESEARCH DEPARTMENT

1. The principal activity since the annual meeting has been preparation of the report, The Federal Executive and Civil Rights. All board members have received copies and so are well aware of its nature and purpose. They may not know of the process by which it was prepared. In October, we engaged Professor Daniel Pollitt, of the University of North Carolina Law School, to undertake what amounted to an inventory of the executive powers, under existing statutes and constitutional authorizations, which could be used to strengthen civil rights. Professor Pollitt worked ably and in late November produced a memorandum of 65 pages. This was circulated to some 40 persons whose willingness to read and comment on the memorandum had been obtained in advance: these were all people with special qualifications to appraise the opportunities for executive and administrative action. Furthermore, a dozen of these same people were brought together for a day-long discussion in early December, which proved to be most valuable. Following this, the staff began drafting the report. When it had final staff agreement, it was submitted to the Council's officers for review. Comments received in reply were incorporated, and the report on January 11 was mailed to President-elect Kennedy, and on subsequent days mailed to a number of key persons in his administration. Public release is planned within a week or two.

2. A pamphlet was issued in mid-November: George McMillan, Racial Violence and Law Enforcement. This has had an extremely heartening reception. The most spectacular, though certainly not the only, manifestation has been the fact that the Atlanta police chief has required every member of his force to read it and write a short paper about it.

3. Also in mid-November, the pamphlet Georgia's Divided Education was published. This was sponsored and financed by the Georgia Conference on Educational Opportunities and brought out under its imprint. All the work, however, was done here.

4. Three L-Reports have been issued: L-21, dated November 30, 1960, was a reproduction of a speech by H. McKinley Conway, "Public Schools and Community Development"; L-22, dated December 9, 1960, was a reproduction of a memorandum of the Fowler Commission on Race Relations; L-23, dated January 24, was a list of desegregated colleges and universities.

REPORT OF ACTIVITIES OF THE FIELD DEPARTMENT, THE CONSULTANT SERVICE PROGRAM, AND OF COOPERATING STATE COUNCILS

The fund-raising efforts of the state Councils during 1960 demonstrated the effectiveness of the matching fund, incentive plan used by SRC in handling state assistance. During 1960 these groups raised locally a total of $51,793. This is the greatest self-support effort since these groups were organized and represents an increase of 54.5% over the $33,324 raised during 1959. Of the ten groups, eight raised more funds during 1960 than in 1959.

The Florida Council on Human Relations received notice of federal tax-exempt status near the end of 1959. All of the state Councils have now been so classified.

Two state Councils, Alabama and Georgia, have been looking for new professional staff. The Alabama Council is seeking a replacement for Bob Hughes, now training for missionary service in Africa. The Georgia Council is planning to move from a part-time to a full-time operation. Both groups plan to announce the appointment of new directors within the next few weeks.

During the last months of 1960, new cooperating groups of state Councils were established in Memphis, Tennessee; in Norfolk and Fredericksburg, Virginia; in Raleigh, North Carolina; and in several Alabama communities. The membership of the Virginia Council on Human Relations was increased by the end of 1960 to a total of 2,500.

Last fall the board of the Southern Regional Council approved a conditional grant of assistance of $1,500 to the Houston Council on Human Relations provided that the Houston Council raise a total of $3,000 in local funds by January 1, 1961. This condition has been met. This promising community council has opened an office, employed staff, and has launched a constructive program.

Consultant Service Program. John Hope II, chief consultant, has been active since the last meeting of the executive committee, meeting with members of state advisory committees to the Civil Rights Commission in four states, conferring with a citizens committee in Beaufort, South Carolina on a possible community self-survey, conducting a workshop in Louisville, Kentucky, for consultants of the Kentucky Council on Human Relations who plan to work on merit employment problems in several Kentucky communities. As a result of John's consultations with members of state civil rights advisory committees, several of these groups are planning state-wide merit employment surveys.

Activities of the Field Director. Since last September, the field director has made trips to the following places: New Orleans, Chattanooga, Knoxville, Columbus, Georgia; Charlotte, Miami, Daytona Beach, Birmingham, Montgomery, Talladega; Petersburg and Richmond, Virginia; Houston and Austin, Texas; Little Rock, Arkansas.

Program Activities of State Council Groups during the last three months have included:

1. A retreat of ministers in the Little Rock and Pine Bluff, Arkansas area, led by Kyle Haselden and Dr. Thomas Pettigrew.

2. A partially successful effort to desegregate Brownie Girl Scout groups in Nashville, Tennessee.

3. Planning of a state-wide interracial, college student workshop in South Carolina, to be held February 5.

4. Successful efforts to gain the employment of a Negro nurse in the Veterans Hospital, Columbia, South Carolina.

5. Consultations with school officials and white and Negro parents to encourage smooth implementation of school desegregation rulings in Chattanooga, Tennessee and in Atlanta, Georgia.

6. A statement by the North Carolina Council on Human Relations to the state advisory committee to the Civil Rights Commission protesting tokenism and the Piersall Plan in the state.

7. Organization of an informal, ad hoc committee of leadership calibre to consider settlement of the sit-ins in Pine Bluff, Arkansas.

8. Establishment of a cultural opportunities study and action group in Richmond, Virginia.

9. Sponsorship by the Virginia Council of a speaking tour throughout the state by Bob Hughes of Alabama.

10. Release of a summary of the state of human relations in Virginia by the Virginia Council on Human Relations.

NOTE: Reports on the Southern Leadership Project will be delivered verbally by Mr. Muse and Mr. Brewbaker at the time of the Executive Committee meeting.

WOMAN'S WORK

Space will not permit to tell of the work of "The Fellowship of the Concerned -- Southern Women Concerned About Their South," that goes on day by day the year through. We can only give you a brief story of the Workshop held at Clark College, November 15, 16, that was attended by 175 women, leaders of both races, selected by the Church Boards of the three faiths. They came from 16 Southern States and the District of Columbia. The president and several other officers from the National headquarters of the United Church Women came to participate and observe.

The theme of the Workshop was "Justice Weighed In The Balance" for we felt that the "Student Non-Violent Movement" was really doing this. Miss Thelma Stevens, executive secretary of Christian Social Relations, Woman's Division of The Methodist Church gave the challenge in her address on "Basic Beliefs and Social Responsibility":

"It may call for a new voice and a new courage within us. It may mean trying to understand the meaning of the "Student Sit-In Movement" as a symbol of God's Spirit of reconciliation; giving a word of concern and support to the students involved; coordinating the forces of goodwill in a community to change the pattern and tradition in relation to segregation; enlisting responsible citizens to see that law enforcement powers act with highest integrity; going to the minister, priest or rabbi and talking about the responsibility of the church in facing these issues; it may mean sitting in a court room to make sure all citizens receive a fair trial; it may mean economic pressure to assure equality of opportunity in jobs. The most urgent task before us is to work for Federal and State laws that protect the freedoms of all of our citizens."

The panel by students who had participated in the "Sit-ins," "Pray-ins" and the Marchers on the Capitol in Montgomery and Atlanta were the first hand stories needed.

The findings of the eight Workshop groups--two each on these subjects: "The Church and Human Relations"; "The Unfinished Revolution"; "Basic Human Rights"; and "Law and Order," besides being presented to the group, they have been mimeographed and mailed to all who were present.

A few sentences from letters received following the Workshop are as follows: "I loved having Jews, Catholics, Protestants--Negro, white--all face frankly in a clear atmosphere responsibilities for living today."; "My first opportunity to share in such a time of inspiration for action. It was more revealing to me to meet women from other places all over the South and to gain some insight into their situations and difficulties."

The after-math will be State Workshops and actions by local women.

INFORMATION

Highlights of NEW SOUTH

October -- "Desegregation Entering New Phase," an analysis of Houston and New Orleans by Paul Rilling.

November -- Special issue "Racial Violence and Law Enforcement," by George McMillan.

December -- "Jacksonville Experience Is Another Costly Lesson," by William K. Williams, Executive Director, Florida Council on Human Relations.

January -- "The South and Civil Disobedience," an analysis of the sit-ins by Marion A. Wright and "Band Together for Genuine Unity," an analysis of the current situation in Little Rock, Arkansas, by Colbert Cartwright.

Distribution

L-20 --"Problem Solving Through Race Relations Committees"
L-21 --"Public Schools and Community Development," by H. McKinly Conway, Jr., president of Conway Publications, publishers of industrial magazines and business guides.
L-22 --Report from the Florida Fowler Commission on Race Relations.
Georgia's Divided Education
"The Press Reports on Atlanta's Public Hospital"

Media Contacts

Atlanta Journal
Atlanta Constitution
Reporter
Life
Time
Southern News of Canada
Fairchild Publications
Christian Science Monitor
WSB-TV
NBC
The London Observer
The Atlanta Inquirer
United Press International

News Releases

Racial Violence and Law Enforcement
Georgia's Divided Education

Special Consultant

Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee
Atlanta Committee on Appeal for Human Rights
National Student Association and its Southern Project

January 26, 1961

Dr. Rufus E. Clement
President
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Dr. Clement:

Enclosed is our agenda for the Executive Committee meeting on February 2. We will, of course, be happy to make any changes you feel necessary. If there are no changes, there is no need to acknowledge this.

With best regards,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

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Enclosures

DEAN'S OFFICE

January 26, 1961

Mr. James M. Dabbs
Rip Raps Plantation
Mayesville, South Carolina

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PROPOSED AGENDA

Meeting of the Executive Committee
Southern Regional Council
Atlanta, Georgia

February 2, 1961

10:00 a.m. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**
(Staff on Call)

Invocation

Adoption of Agenda

Election of Chairman

Approval of Minutes of Last Meeting
(including resolution on charter as prepared by Mr. Haas)

Report of the Personnel Committee

Other Business for Executive Session

GENERAL SESSION

Administrative Matters

Comments on Fund Raising -- Mr. Fleming
Financial Report -- Mrs. Alexander
Changes in Budget, 1961 -- Mr. Anthony
Report on New Members -- Mr. Fleming

Program Considerations by the Committee

Comments by the Director
Southern Leadership Project -- Mr. Muse and Mr. Brewbaker
Follow-Through on Previously Proposed Programs
SRC Committee of Attorneys
International Institute
Work with Colleges

Areas of Discussion and Clarification

SRC's Role With Respect to Direct Action
SRC's Role with Respect to State Councils

Other Program Areas - As Determined by Committee

Other Business

3:30 p.m. ADJOURNMENT

NOTE: Lunch will be served at 12:30 p.m., or therafter at the convenience of the Committee

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL
5 Forsyth Street, NW

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Executive Director

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In view of this continuing concern, we have put the subject on the agenda for the February 2nd meeting. I have asked Paul Rilling, our field director, to present the background of this question and his recommendations as an aid to the Committee's discussion. His memorandum is attached. I might add that I am in full agreement with Paul Rilling's analysis and conclusions.

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(2) What is currently being done in the college field by other groups? There are four staffed race relations efforts directed at college campuses in the South. The YMCA and YWCA each have foundation-financed, staffed efforts emphasizing better interracial communications and understanding in the region. The National Student Association is now in the second year of a special Southern Project working through student government leadership. The American Friends Service Committee has a full-time student director working out of the High Point, N.C., office of the Committee. (The AFSC college effort includes peace education as well as human relations.)

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Support for SRC operations is limited. Should such available support be used for new staff and new emphases or can we be of greater overall service through the maintenance and strengthening of existing activities and services?

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JOB DESCRIPTIONS
Southern Regional Council

January 1961

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR -- Responsible to the Board and Executive Committee for staff implementation of all policies, administrative and program.

DIRECTOR OF FIELD ACTIVITIES -- To supervise and coordinate the field services of the Council, in cooperation with the Chief Consultant, the Director of Women's Work, the Southern Leadership Project Director, the Associate for Program Development, and other appropriate staff persons. To advise and counsel with the leaders and staffs of the state organizations assisted by the Council, and to evaluate the effectiveness of their programs. Through travel, correspondence, and other communication, to follow community developments over the South and recommend such field services as will contribute to the progress of human relations. To represent the Council on occasion at the request of the Director, and to arrange for suitable members of the Council's Board to fill requests for speakers. To maintain such records, prepare such reports, and arrange such meetings on field activity as may be necessary.

DIRECTOR OF RESEARCH -- To be responsible for originating, planning, and implementing appropriate research, surveys, and fact-finding efforts within SRC's field of interest. To supervise the acquisition and maintenance of reference materials by the Research Assistant and other personnel of the Research Department. To prepare such manuscripts, articles, staff memoranda, etc., as may be agreed upon. To relate the SRC to appropriate programs and personnel in the field of academic or action research. To participate, as a senior professional staff member, in overall staff planning and decision-making.

DIRECTOR OF INFORMATION -- To serve as editor of the Council's magazine, New South, and to be responsible for subscriptions, billings, printing, and other administrative details of the publication. To prepare or supervise the preparation of information materials, publications lists, news releases and related items. To supervise the servicing of information requests and the distribution of SRC materials. To maintain contact with the daily, weekly, and periodical press, radio, and television. To keep such records and prepare such reports on information services as may be required.

SECRETARY-TREASURER -- To be responsible for all bookkeeping records, including receipts, disbursements, payroll and tax records with filing of tax forms and payment of taxes; for all banking of Council's money; for purchases of office supplies and equipment and for payment of all the Council's obligations including checking of invoices and preparation of checks. With the help of auditor, to make financial reports to contributors and to SRC Board and committees.

To keep permanent records of the Council, including records of Board membership, minutes of meeting and all matters pertaining to SRC members. To be responsible for office management, supervision of clerical assistants and for providing clerical and stenographic help needed by the professional staff including employment of such people as may be needed, subject to approval by the Executive Director.

EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT -- To assist the Executive Director in the general administration of the Council's affairs. To aid in the preparation of such reports, requests for financial aid, agendas, minutes, and correspondence as the Director may prescribe. To arrange the details of certain meetings, conferences, and handling of special visitors. In consultation with the Secretary-Treasurer, to prepare certain fiscal analyses and reports for the use of staff, committees, and the Board. To facilitate the work of such special committees as Finance and Nominating. Under the direction of the Executive Director, to coordinate the efforts of the staff in instituting and carrying out such administrative procedures as may be prescribed.

DIRECTOR OF WOMEN'S WORK -- To administer, in conformity with the broad policy of the Southern Regional Council, a program relating activities of Church women and women's groups to the concerns of the Southern Regional Council. That part of the program dealing with the Church women and with other Church bodies is to have a high degree of autonomy as befits a relationship with Church connected bodies.

To travel widely to gatherings of Church people and women's organizations. To be in frequent contact personally and by correspondence with organizational leaders in the various denominational groups; to prepare special materials for use by these bodies; and to assist with advice and information on various religious and women's programs akin to the purposes of the Southern Regional Council. In

addition, and specifically, to assist the Fellowship of the Concerned and any similar special organization of its kind.

To promote state or regional meetings of women, whether Church-connected or not, with a view to enlisting their aid in support of the Council's principles.

RESEARCH ASSISTANT -- Under the supervision of the Research Director, to perform such fact-finding and research as may be required. To assemble, classify, and maintain reference files drawn from newspaper reports, periodicals, Census publications, and other reference materials. To handle mail requests for information. To conduct occasional mail surveys of race relations practices in such fields as municipal employment, professional associations, public libraries, and recreation facilities. To provide technical assistance to community self-surveys. To write occasional articles for New South.

CHIEF CONSULTANT (Part-time) -- In cooperation with the Director and the Field Director, to recruit and direct the use of skilled professional persons as consultants to public or private leadership in Southern states and communities. To coordinate consultant services to the staffs and boards of state organizations assisted by the Council. To participate in the planning and evaluation of the Council's program, particularly those activities involving field work.

ASSOCIATE FOR PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT (Part-time) -- To counsel with the Director and other professional staff members on strategies and programs calculated to advance the purposes of the Council. To cooperate with the Field Director and the Chief Consultant in the planning and execution of workshops and other field activities. When requested, to represent the Council at meetings or in interviews with local opinion leaders.

SOUTHERN LEADERSHIP PROJECT DIRECTOR -- To develop and supervise activities directed at the segments of Southern leadership concerned with the preservation of educational and economic institutions. To assist, inform and stimulate leaders of business, education, law enforcement, public officials and others in dealing with the orderly desegregation of public facilities. This is to be done, largely within the framework of practical self-interest, relying primarily on consultation, visitation, conferences and the preparation of special materials designed to inform and stimulate positive action among the leadership group. The project director works closely with the director

of field activities, and through the executive director, coordinates his own efforts with those of research, information, and other regular departments of the Council. Special consultants may, on occasion, be employed to assist the project director.

OFFICE STAFF

SECRETARY TO THE DIRECTOR -- To perform all normal secretarial duties for the Director, serve as secretary to the Council, maintain central office files, and record the proceedings of the annual, executive committee, and other official meetings.

ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARY, RESEARCH -- To perform all normal secretarial duties for the Director of Research and to serve as his assistant in the preparation of certain research materials, the answering of requests for information and related duties.

MAIL AND MIMEOGRAPH SUPERVISOR -- To be responsible for the mail, mimeographing, and related needs of the Council; to supervise the work force required for this operation and to be responsible for the operation and maintenance of the required equipment. This position is under the direction of the Executive Assistant.

CIRCULATION CLERK - NEW SOUTH -- To be responsible, under the supervision of the Director of Information, for all records, subscriptions and related matters in the distribution of New South.

The two additional secretaries and the receptionist perform the normal duties for these positions:

Secretary to the Director of Field Activities

Secretary to the Director of Information and the Director of Women's Work

Receptionist

Memo
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From UCF

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MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
Southern Regional Council
February 2, 1961

The meeting of the Executive Committee was called to order at 10:00 a.m. in the conference room of the Southern Regional Council on February 2, 1961, Dr. Rufus E. Clement presiding.

Those present: Dr. Dent, Mr. Dabbs, Mr. Christopher, Mr. Wright, Mrs. Hamilton, Rabbi Rothschild, Mr. Wheeler, Mr. Brooke, and Dr. Griffin. All members of the professional staff were present, with Mrs. Flowers serving as recording secretary.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Following the invocation, the agenda was adopted as proposed. Dr. Clement expressed the wish that he not be re-elected to a further term as Chairman of the Executive Committee. Mr. John H. Wheeler was unanimously elected to the chairmanship.

Members of the Committee expressed their deep appreciation to Dr. Clement for the invaluable service he has rendered to the Committee and to the whole Council during his tenure as chairman.

The minutes of the last meeting were approved with the addition of a resolution on the Council's charter and tax-exemption submitted by Mr. Joseph Haas, Legal Counsel, as amended (see attached).

Mr. Dabbs presented the report of the Personnel Committee including written job descriptions and information on current salaries and tenure. The Committee's recommendations on salaries were approved, as was the Personnel Committee's recommendation that Dr. Leslie W. Dunbar be designated Assistant Director of the Council, in addition to his present title of Director of Research.

The Executive Director was invited into the meeting and informed of the actions taken in the Executive Session. On behalf of the staff, he expressed profound gratitude for the leadership and cooperation which Dr. Clement has given to all of the affairs of the Council during his service as chairman of the Executive Committee. He also expressed for the staff gratification at Mr. Wheeler's election and willingness to assume these important duties.

The Committee was then declared in general session and the other members of the professional staff and the recording secretary were invited to join the Committee. The Chairman commended the staff members for the quality of their work and expressed to them the Committee's appreciation. It was noted that Mrs. Alexander was absent due to illness. The Committee requested that the staff convey to her their wishes for a speedy recovery.

GENERAL SESSION

Changes in Budget, 1961. -- Mr. Anthony made a report of the proposed changes in the operating budget for 1961. It was indicated that the revised budget was essentially the same as that approved at the Annual Meeting, with the exception that the Research Department budget had been deleted from the Special Projects section and added to the General Operating budget and increased by $5,000. Copy attached.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the recommended changes in the budget were approved.

Comments on Fund-Raising. -- Mr. Fleming pointed out that a total of $103,775 must yet be raised during 1961 if all expenditures, as budgeted, are met. Of this amount he reported that the Council is hopeful of a renewal of the New World Foundation's grant of $20,000 and of a grant from the Field Foundation which will allow an additional $12,500 in aid to state councils during the year. The Committee was also informed that the staff has made a request to the Rockefeller Foundation for a grant of $50,000-a-year for five years. The outcome of this request is uncertain, since it is not a policy of that Foundation to assist organizations such as the Council. However, it was the opinion of the Director that the willingness of the Foundation's officers to consider the Council was of considerable significance.

Report on SRC's Common Stock Holdings. -- It was reported that SRC continues to hold (at book value) approximately $117,000 in stocks. Of these, the large holdings in Gulf Oil have been depressed in value since shortly after they were acquired as a gift in December 1958. The holdings are now approaching their book value for the first time in several years. The director reported that a series of recommendations are being prepared for the Finance Committee. These recommendations,

if approved, will facilitate the sale of the stocks under the most favorable circumstances.

Report on New Members. -- At the 1960 Annual Meeting five new members were elected to Council membership: Mrs. Charles White, Houston, Texas; Mr. Wiley Branton, Pine Bluff, Arkansas; Dr. Douglas Jackson, Dallas, Texas; Dr. Frank Graham, Chapel Hill, North Carolina; and Mr. Henry Brandis, Chapel Hill, North Carolina. All but Mr. Brandis have accepted membership. Word from Mr. Brandis is expected shortly.

Discussion of Program. -- Program reports on major SRC activities, with the exception of the Southern Leadership Project, were mailed to the Committee in advance. Mr. Muse briefed the Committee on the recent activities of the Leadership Project, reporting that visits had been made to Alabama, North and South Carolina and Virginia. Additional trips were planned for the near future in the deep South. To date conferences have been held with five governors and more than 40 newspaper editors in the South, in addition to a number of other community leaders.

Mr. Brewbaker, special school consultant, reported that he had just completed a trip to 21 cities in which he spoke with school superintendents and other individuals and groups concerned with public education. Mr. Brewbaker reported favorable reception in the great majority of these visits.

(The meeting adjourned at 12:30 p.m. for lunch and reconvened in general session at 1:30 p.m.)

SRC Committee of Attorneys. -- Mr. Haas, chairman of the Committee of Attorneys, was unable to be present. He reported by letter his plans for the Committee as follows:

> "With regard to the matter concerning the Committee of Attorneys, I talked with Paul Anthony and suggested that he send me a list of attorneys who are either members of SRC, or who have done work for SRC, or who, for one reason or another, we know, (and I distinguish this particularly from "believe") to be in sympathy with SRC. With this list, it will be my purpose to contact the attorneys with the suggestion that we undertake, each in our own local Bars, to create a better climate not only for SRC but also for all

unpopular (from a local standpoint) causes. It seems that we will do SRC a service as well as the others for whom we speak if we approach this on the broad basis of using the Alabama situation merely as an example of what can happen to a particular unpopular cause rather than to try to make this just an SRC program alone. I would be particularly guided by the thoughts of Mr. Wright on this phase of the matter, because of his experience and because he is a fellow member of the Bar."

International Institute. -- The Executive Committee instructed the staff to continue to explore the idea of having an Institute on Race Relations and International Affairs held in the South. Suggested sponsors were rated in the following order: The University of North Carolina, Colonial Williamsburg, The American Association for the United Nations, and the American Assembly.

It was pointed out that the site of such an institute would have to be one where there were absolutely no racial restrictions on the facilities available.

In approaching potential sponsors, it was suggested that Dr. Frank Graham should be asked to assist with the University of North Carolina and, if Colonial Williamsburg is approached, the appropriate person would be Mr. Hummelsein.

In view of the interest and assistance of Dr. Guy Johnson at the University of North Carolina, the staff was instructed to await further word from Dr. Johnson before proceeding with the other potential sponsors.

Work with Colleges. -- An analysis of existing college programs in the South and SRC's role in this area was mailed to the Committee in advance. The Committee agreed that a full-scale college program with special SRC staff should not be undertaken. In lieu of this, and in addition to those programs now being carried on, the staff was instructed to do the following:

(1) Prepare a handbook or background report which would guide college administrators in carrying out campus desegregation.

(2) Add college and university presidents to SRC's list for appropriate mailings.

(3) Add student editors and student council presidents to the mailing list, particularly for New South.

SRC's Role With Respect to Direct Action. -- It was reported that the Council is often approached by groups and organizations requesting the Council's participation in demonstrations and other direct action.

It has been the Council's policy to decline such invitations since SRC's charter does not allow for such action and the Council's tax-exempt status could very well be affected by it; moreover, the Council has a clearly defined role of a different sort. The director requested that the Committee review this policy.

The Committee concurred in the thinking which had directed this policy in the past and instructed the staff to continue to avoid any action which would jeopardize the work of the Council or its tax-exempt status, or that would be contrary to the Charter or By-Laws.

Consideration of Labor Consultant. -- Mr. Christopher reported that the AFL-CIO had available funds for a labor consultant to work in the South in the area of race relations. These funds have not been used since AFL-CIO has not been able to find a person acceptable to them. It was Mr. Christopher's opinion that if SRC could find a suitable labor consultant, the AFL-CIO might consider making available the funds to support such a program under the Council's direction.

The Committee instructed the staff to work with Mr. Christopher in pursuing this matter further.

Report on The Federal Executive and Civil Rights. -- The Executive Director reported that the document, The Federal Executive and Civil Rights, had been well received by the press and key individuals throughout the country. There were indications that the report was being given serious attention within the Administration. It was agreed that this document, and the follow-up work which was indicated, constituted a major program effort of the Council. Dr. Dunbar, SRC director of research, was commended for his rôle in the preparation of this document.

Other Business. -- The Executive Director pointed out that the state councils on human relations are

frequently overlooked when programs are being formulated. This, in the director's opinion, is regrettable since in some instances these local councils are the logical instruments for some of the programs considered by the staff and policy group. It was suggested that at a future meeting the functions of the state councils might be further explored.

The outgoing chairman, Dr. Clement, introduced the newly elected chairman, Mr. John H. Wheeler. Mr. Wheeler commented on the many contributions which Dr. Clement has made over a number of years to the Executive Committee and the Council. He stated that he felt the Committee will want to take some action, on behalf of the Council, in recognition of Dr. Clement's long service as chairman.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

RESOLUTION ON SRC's CHARTER AND TAX-EXEMPTION

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WHEREAS, pursuant to advice dated January 29, 1960 from the Chief of the Exempt Organizations Branch of the Internal Revenue Service, this corporation was advised "You will be expected in the future to conform your operations strictly with the 'operational tests' set forth in the regulations;" and

WHEREAS, pursuant to said "operational tests" an organization is not regarded as exempt if it is an "action" organization, which means that a substantial part of its activities is attempting to influence legislation, by propaganda or otherwise, either by contacting or urging the public to contact members of a legislative body for the purpose of proposing, supporting or opposing legislation, or advocating the adoption or rejection of legislation.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is stated to be the policy of this body that no officer, agent or employee of Southern Regional Council shall, in the course of its operations, either contact or urge the public to contact members of any legislative body for the purpose of proposing, supporting or opposing legislation, nor shall any such member advocate the adoption or rejection of any legislation;

RESOLVED: That counsel for the Southern Regional Council be directed, periodically, to scrutinize and evaluate the activities of members of the Staff so as to insure that such activities are consistent with the principles stated in this resolution and in the regulations defining the "operational tests" of the Internal Revenue Service;

RESOLVED FURTHER: That this resolution be read or referred to at every meeting of the Executive Committee, and shall be read at every annual meeting of Southern Regional Council.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That no member of the staff or of the Southern Regional Council has the authority to speak for the Southern Regional Council in matters which are inhibited by the Internal Revenue Code.

February 1961

Feb. 2, 1961

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

Operating Budgets and Income Forecast
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SYNOPSIS

Budgeted:			
General Operations		$ 152,975.00	
Special Projects		117,500.00	
	Total		$ 270,475.00
Income Forecast:			
General Operations		$ 74,700.00	
Special Projects		92,000.00	
	Total		$ 166,700.00
Balance to be Raised:			
General Operations		$ 78,275.00	
Special Projects		25,500.00	
	Total		$ 103,775.00

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OPERATING BUDGETS -- 1961

General Operations:

Salaries	$ 92,200.00	
Social Security Taxes	1,900.00	
Travel	9,500.00	
Telephone & Telegraph	4,250.00	
Executive Committee and Annual Meetings	4,000.00	
Books and Subscriptions	1,925.00	
Office Supplies & Equipment	5,500.00	
NEW SOUTH, Printing & Postage	9,000.00	
Postage	1,700.00	
Printing	10,500.00	
Insurance, Staff Benefits	1,200.00	
Insurance, Other	400.00	
Rent	7,200.00	
Accounting & Other Fees	500.00	
Office Repairs & Maintenance	200.00	
Consultant Fees & Travel (Research)	2,000.00	
Miscellaneous	1,000.00	
		$ 152,975.00

Special Projects:

Southern Leadership Project	$ 40,000.00	
Grants-in-Aid, State Councils on Human Relations	50,000.00	
Fellowship of the Concerned	5,000.00	
Special Fund for non-SRC Programs	7,500.00	
Consultant Service Program	15,000.00	
		$ 117,500.00
	Total	$ 270,475.00

INCOME FORECAST -- 1961

General Operations:

Foundations:

Field Foundation	$ 25,000.00	
Taconic Foundation	25,000.00	
Ottinger Foundation	2,000.00	
William C. Whitney Foundation	3,500.00	
Marion Ascoli Fund	1,000.00	
Adele Levy Fund	1,000.00	
Hopkins Charities Fund	2,500.00	
		$ 60,000.00

Other: (Estimated)

Churches	3,200.00	
Organizations	3,000.00	
Individuals & Office Related	8,500.00	
		$ 14,700.00
TOTAL:		$ 74,700.00
BALANCE TO BE RAISED:		$ 78,275.00

Projects:

Foundations:

Southern Leadership Project Rockefeller Brothers Fund		$ 40,000.00	
Grants-in-Aid, State Councils			
Taconic Foundation	$25,000		
Field Foundation	12,500	37,500.00	
Fellowship of the Concerned John Hay Whitney Fd.		2,000.00	
Special Fund for non-SRC Activities New World Fd. (estimated)		7,500.00	
Consultant Service Program Taconic Fd. (estimated)		5,000.00	
			$ 92,000.00
BALANCE TO BE RAISED:			$ 25,500.00

MEMORANDUM February 6, 1961

TO: PA

FROM: HCF HCF

RE: Discussion of International Institute on February 2nd.

The Executive Committee instructed the staff to continue to promote the holding of an Institute on Race Relations and International Affairs in the South. Suggested sponsors were rated in the following order:

(1) The University of North Carolina, (2) Colonial Williamsburg, (3) The American Association for the United Nations, (4) The American Assembly.

It was pointed out that either of the latter two organizations might well chose Williamsburg as the site of a Southern conference of this kind. In any case, it was agreed that all facilities would have to be open to all delegates and participants without discrimination. It was also pointed out that the head man at Williamsburg, who should be approached on this matter, is Mr. Hummelsein, and that Dr. Frank Graham might well be enlisted in connection with the University of North Carolina.

Our procedure on this should be to do nothing further until we get word from Guy Johnson on the possibilities at Chapel Hill. If this should flunk out, we should then write a letter to Mr. Hummelsein at Williamsburg inquiring about the possibilities of their doing it. If nothing comes of this, we should explore the other suggested sponsors in order.

I'd appreciate it if you would ride herd on this, consulting with me as necessary, until we have completed the follow-through one way or another.

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MEMORANDUM February 6, 1961

TO: LWD & JC

FROM: HCF

RE: Information work with Colleges.

The Executive Committee has asked us to do the following things:

(1) Prepare some sort of handbook or background report that will guide college and university administrators in carrying out campus integration. In general, this seems to me a useful idea. We will need to talk about just how it should be carried out.

(2) Add college and university presidents to our list for appropriate mailings. The thought here, as I recall it, was that they would benefit from some of our L-reports, special reports, and so on. I suggest that we be pretty selective about what we send to them.

(3) We should add student editors and student council presidents to our mailing list. This can and should be done, but some selection of institutions will have to be made. This I will leave to you two.

Haas' document

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This is optional

RESOLVED: That counsel for the Southern Regional Council be directed, periodically, to scrutinize and evaluate the activities of members of the Staff so as to insure that such activities are consistent with the principles stated in this resolution and in the regulations defining the "operational tests" of the Internal Revenue Service;

RESOLVED FURTHER: That this resolution be read or referred to at every meeting of the Executive Committee, and shall be read at every annual meeting of Southern Regional Council.

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MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
Southern Regional Council
March 18, 1961

The meeting of the Executive Committee was called to order at 9:30 a.m. in the conference room of the Southern Regional Council on March 18, 1961, Mr. John H. Wheeler presiding.

Those present: Dr. Dent, Mr. Dabbs, Father Sigur, Miss Wilkins, Mr. Haas, Mr. Wright, Mr. Christopher, Mrs. Hamilton, Mr. Hunter, Dr. Griffin. All members of the professional staff were present.

The Committee took under consideration Mr. Fleming's letter of resignation, addressed to President Dabbs and circulated to each member of the Committee in advance of the meeting (copy attached). Mr. Fleming was invited into the meeting. The Chairman expressed the Committee's regret at his leaving the Council, but pleasure in the prospect of his entering a new and useful field of service. At the request of the Committee, Mr. Fleming described the nature of his new duties, as consultant to the Taconic Foundation with the specific assignment of establishing an institute or center in Washington, D. C., to deal with human relations aspects of public policy.

After further discussion, the Committee adopted the following statement and motion:

> The Executive Committee of the Southern Regional Council accepts with regret the resignation of Harold Fleming, the Executive Director of the Council for the past four years.
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> The Committee, however, cannot let Harold Fleming go without attempting to express its appreciation of the varied services he has rendered the Council and through the Council, the South, as Director of Information, Assistant Director, and Director, through the past fourteen years.
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> While directing the Council in ever widening fields of action, he has at the same time deepened its understanding of and work for the South.
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> He has done this not only through his personal leadership but also through the recruitment, organization, and direction of a highly capable staff.

As a person he has exhibited a remarkable combination of objective detachment and deep commitment. Going now to a related work in the national Capitol, he will be the living exponent of what the South has sought for a hundred years, the Southern American, combining within himself both Southern richness and American directness.

The Council lets him go with regret but watches with pride his entrance upon the national scene.

It is significant that he goes to his new position during the centennial year of the Civil War, the new Southern American, who himself will help to bridge that old, unhappy gulf.

It was moved, seconded, and unanimously voted that Harold Fleming's resignation be accepted with regret, the resignation to take effect at such time between now and June 1st as may be agreed upon by the retiring Executive Director and the Executive Director-Elect, in consultation with the Chairman of the Executive Committee. The retiring Director may, on his own choice, and in consultation with the Chairman of the Executive Committee, elect to work part-time on a pro-rata salary basis until the effective date of his resignation.

Mr. Fleming, in response to a question from the Chairman, stated that he recommended as his successor Dr. Leslie W. Dunbar, Director of Research and Assistant Director of the Council. Dr. Dunbar's biographical data were presented and his qualifications discussed, following which it was moved, seconded, and unanimously voted that Dr. Dunbar be named to the position of Executive Director, at a salary of $10,000 per year to begin immediately; contingent on his acceptance. Dr. Dunbar is to assume the full duties of Executive Director at such date between now and June 1 as may be mutually agreed upon by him and the retiring Executive Director, in consultation with the Chairman of the Executive Committee.

After discussion, it was agreed that other staff questions, including the filling of the positions of Assistant Director and Research Director, would be deferred until the next regular meeting on April 19.

The Committee instructed the staff to prepare a draft announcement of the change of Executive Directors, suitable for mailing to members and friends of the Council and for release to the press. When completed, the draft is to be

submitted to Mr. Dabbs for such amendments or additions as he may care to make.

The following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Committee:

"Resolved, that Leslie W. Dunbar, being Assistant Director of the Southern Regional Council, and whose position becomes Executive Director, [redacted] is hereby authorized to be co-signer of checks drawn on the account of the Southern Regional Council, Inc."

Amended Apr. 19, 1961

Mr. Wright suggested that it might be appropriate to have an audit of the Council's finances as of the date on which the change of Directors becomes effective.

The Chairman was asked to inform Dr. Dunbar of the actions of the Committee and invite him into the meeting. When the meeting resumed, with Dr. Dunbar present, the Chairman expressed the Committee's hope that he would accept the position of Executive Director. Dr. Dunbar then made a statement of acceptance.

Other members of the staff were invited into the meeting and informed of the actions taken by the Committee in executive session. Various members of the staff expressed their pleasure in the decisions taken and pledged their cooperation with and support of the new Executive Director.

Mr. Anthony reviewed the prospective income and expenses for general operations in 1961 and 1962. (Analysis attached.) He pointed out that since the analysis was prepared, the New York Foundation had awarded a grant of $5,000 for the current year.

A general discussion of finances and fund-raising followed.

The retiring Executive Director expressed appreciation to Members and staff of the Council for the support he had received from them during his tenure as Executive Director. He reminded them that he expects to continue his close working relationship with the Council and it is hoped that such a relationship will be of mutual benefit both to the Washington Institute and the Council.

It was agreed that the Executive Committee will meet, as originally scheduled, on April 19.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

C O P Y C O P Y

March 10, 1961

Mr. James M. Dabbs
Rip Raps Plantation
Mayesville, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Dabbs:

After almost fourteen years with the Southern Regional Council, it is hard to contemplate the idea of leaving. A recent proposal was so compelling, however, that I had to consider it seriously. And after long and sometimes painful reflection, I have agreed to undertake the establishment and direction of a new independent agency in Washington to be financed by the Taconic Foundation.

You will know my feelings better than I can describe them. I cannot imagine ever again having as many warm associations or deep satisfactions as my work with the Council has afforded. But I am comforted somewhat by two considerations.

The first is that my new work will not take me out of the field of race relations, but will be an extension of the efforts in which we have all been engaged. I expect to be in close touch with the Council and the South, and in a position to be helpful to both.

Secondly, the Council is equipped in every way -- in leadership, staff, financial prospects, and reputation -- to continue with undiminished effectiveness and growth. For once, I am convinced, the departure of a Southerner will add to rather than subtract from the sum total of our joint efforts.

The first step in my new assignment will be to initiate, as a trustee and consultant of the Taconic Foundation, the creation of the new agency, tentatively called The Washington Institute. The Institute will be intended to serve as a center for the exchange of ideas and information, for working conferences, and for stimulation of timely studies of race relations and public policy. It will be housed in a small building of its own in downtown Washington and will be modestly staffed. I hope it will serve, among other things, as an unofficial Washington outpost for the Council.

I need hardly explain that there is some urgency about getting this operation under way while the new Administration is in an early and flexible stage. This is why I have requested a special meeting of the Executive Committee to consider the choice of a new director and related questions. Without intruding on the Committee's prerogatives, I do want to say that I am firmly of the opinion that the Council has within its own staff the talent and leadership from which to choose a successor.

Leaving the Council's staff will be a painful wrench for me, and I am immodest enough to think that it may cause others some regret. But I have no doubt, and hope others will have none, that the Council's best and most productive years are still before it.

Warm regards.

Sincerely,

/s/ HAROLD

Harold C. Fleming
Executive Director

HCF/mf

AN ANALYSIS OF GENERAL OPERATIONS INCOME & EXPENSES
1961 and 1962

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Approved Budget		$ 152,957.00
Income Forecast:		
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Other Income Expectable		
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Organizations	3,000.00	
Individual & Office Rel.	8,500.00	14,700.00
Total - On hand and expectable		$ 131,309.49
Balance to be raised		21,665.51

Requests Pending

Rockefeller Foundation	$ 50,000.00
New York Foundation	5,000.00

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Income Committed:

Field Foundation	$ 25,000.00	
Taconic Foundation	25,000.00	
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Adele Levy Fund	1,000.00	$ 52,000.00

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Aaron E. Norman Fund	1,500.00	
New York Foundation	5,000.00	
Churches	3,200.00	
Organizations	3,000.00	
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Total Committed & Expectable	$ 95,200.00
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SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia

MEMORANDUM February 14, 1961

To: Members of the Executive Committee

From: Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant - SRC

Re: Next Meeting of the Executive Committee.

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Wednesday, April 19th has been selected as the date of the next Executive Committee meeting. We have attempted to select a convenient date well in advance since the next meeting promises to be a most important one and we are anxious to have maximum attendance.

The meeting will be held in the SRC conference room on the usual schedule; beginning at 10:00 a.m. and ending at 3:00 p.m.

A card is enclosed for your convenience. We hope you will put this date on your calendar and make every effort to be present on April 19th.

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Sent also to:
CHP
JH
B. Muse

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

MEMORANDUM

April 11, 1961

To: Mr. John H. Wheeler

From: Paul Anthony

Re: Agenda for Executive Committee Meeting.

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Several matters on the proposed agenda require explanation:

Election of Members of Nominating Committee. -- The Nominating Committee consists of five members. Three of these are elected each year at the Annual Meeting. The remaining two are elected by the Executive Committee. Those elected at the last meeting are, Thomas W. Young, Stephen J. Wright and Raymond M. Wheeler. The staff has gone over the list of Members and the following are among those eligible to serve if the Committee wishes: Dr. Benjamin Mays, Dr. Harry V. Richardson, Dr. Bell I. Wiley, and Dr. H. Franklin Williams.

Discussion of Recent Appointments and Activities of Committee Members. -- Several membess of the Committee have recently been appointed to interesting positions. Dr. Dent (and Dr. Mays) have been appointed members of the Peace Corps National Advisory Committee, and, of course, your own appointment. Mr. Wright and Mr. Dabbs have each traveled and spoken quite a bit during the past month. The staff felt that these persons would have valuable information to share with the Committee and that this might well be a sound basis for a discussion of SRC programs.

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PROPOSED AGENDA

Meeting of the Executive Committee - S. R. C.

April 19, 1961

10:00 a.m. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**
(Staff on call)

Invocation

Adoption of Agenda

Approval of Minutes of Last Meeting

Election of Members of Nominating Committee

Report on Personnel Recruitment
Mr. Dunbar

Other Matters for Executive Session

GENERAL SESSION

Special Reports

International Institute
Mr. Fleming
Committee of Attorneys
Mr. Haas

Discussion of Recent Appointments and Activities of Committee Members

Financial Matters

Sale of Securities
Mr. Anthony

Current Fund-Raising
Mr. Fleming

Authorization for Sale of Securities

Discussion of Program and Other Business

3:00 pm **ADJOURNMENT**

Note: Lunch will be available at 12:00 noon or thereafter at the convenience of the Committee.

April 11, 1961

Mr. John H. Wheeler
President
Mechanics and Farmers Bank
Durham, North Carolina

Dear John:

Enclosed is a proposed agenda for the meeting of the Executive Committee of April 19. We will be happy to make any changes that you feel necessary.

The enclosed memorandum goes into some detail on several items on the agenda. If there is any question about them, I trust you will have an opportunity to discuss the agenda with Les before the meeting.

The desk pen for Dr. Clement will be available to be presented to him whenever you feel it desirable.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

PA/mf
Enclosures

MEMORANDUM

April 11, 1961

To: Members of the Executive Committee

From: Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

Re: April 19th Meeting.

This is a reminder of the meeting of the Executive Committee on Wednesday, April 19. The meeting, held in the Southern Regional Council conference room, will begin at 10:00 a.m., and end at 3:00 p.m.

We hope you can attend and will, of course, be happy to make any arrangements you may wish.

PROPOSED AGENDA

Meeting of the Executive Committee - S. R. C.
April 19, 1961

10:00 a. m. EXECUTIVE SESSION
(Staff on call)

Invocation

Adoption of Agenda

Approval of Minutes of Last Meeting

Election of Members of Nominating Committee

Report on Personnel Recruitment
Mr. Dunbar

Other Matters for Executive Session

GENERAL SESSION

Special Reports

International Institute
Mr. Fleming
Committee of Attorneys
Mr. Haas

Discussion of Recent Appointments and Activities of Committee Members

Financial Matters

Sale of Securities
Mr. Anthony
Current Fund-Raising
Mr. Fleming
Authorization for Sale of Securities

Discussion of Program and Other Business

3:00 p. m. ADJOURNMENT

Note: Lunch will be available at 12:00 noon or thereafter at at the convenience of the Committee.

Minutes of the Executive Committee
Southern Regional Council
April 19, 1961

The meeting of the Executive Committee was called to order at 10:00 a.m., April 19, 1961, in the Conference Room of the Southern Regional Council with Mr. John Wheeler presiding.

Those present: Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton, Dr. Rufus E. Clement, Mr. James M. Dabbs, Dr. Albert Dent, Dr. John Griffin, Rabbi Jacob Rothschild and Mr. Marion A. Wright. All members of the professional staff, except Mrs. M. E. Tilly, Mr. John Hope, II, and Dr. C. H. Parrish were present with Mrs. Mildred Flowers serving as recording secretary.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Invocation by Rabbi Rothschild. The proposed agenda (attached) was unanimously adopted.

Ratification of Minutes of Last Meeting. -- The minutes of the last meeting were approved and adopted. The "Resolution on SRC's Charter and Tax Exemption," was read as required. The Committee requested that this item be placed near the top of the agenda for all future meetings.

Election of Members of Nominating Committee. -- As required by the By-Laws, the Executive Committee elected two Members to serve on the 1961 Nominating Committee: Dr. Harry V. Richardson and Dr. H. Franklin Williams.

Report on Personnel Recruitment. -- The Executive Director-Elect reported to the Committee on efforts to fill the positions of Director of Research and Director of Information. On recommendation of Mr. Dunbar, the Executive Committee voted to

> authorize the Executive Director to abolish the position of Research File Clerk and substitute two (2) junior Research Assistants, at a beginning salary ranging from $3,000 to $3,600.

Other Matters for Executive Session. -- The Committee instructed the staff to communicate its best wishes to Miss Josephine Wilkins, who is still convalescing.

GENERAL SESSION

As an expression of appreciation for his long and valuable service, Dr. Rufus Clement was presented an inscribed desk pen. In making the presentation, Mr. Dabbs pointed out that Dr. Clement served as Chairman of the first meeting of the Incorporators of the Council and has served on the SRC Executive Committee since it was formed in 1944. In his response, Dr. Clement warmly thanked the Committee and pledged his continued support.

International Institute. -- Mr. Fleming reported that Dr. Guy Johnson had been approached on the possibility of having the proposed International Institute at the University of North Carolina. Dr. Johnson reported that the administration of the University was willing to pursue the idea further. At the suggestion of Mr. Fleming the Committee requested Mr. Wright to undertake personal negotiations with Dr. Johnson and the University. Mr. Wright accepted this responsibility.

The matter of financing such an undertaking was discussed, after which the following motion was made and unanimously adopted: That the staff enter discussions with the University of North Carolina regarding the proposed International Institute and be of such assistance as it can be in securing the necessary financing.

Membership. -- The matter of inviting Harold Fleming to Council membership was discussed by the Committee. It was pointed out that only one vacancy exists and that an invitation had been extended which, if accepted, would bring the Council to full membership. Also, Mr. Fleming is considering establishing residence in the District of Columbia, in which case he would be ineligible. With these conditions in mind, but with the desire to have the Committee's opinion a matter of record, the following motion was made and unanimously adopted: The Executive Committee hereby elects Harold C. Fleming to membership on the Council for such vacancy as may exist or become available during the time he is eligible to serve.

Financial Matters. -- Mr. Anthony presented a report on the sale of securities held by the Council. The Finance Committee has directed the staff to sell all common stocks other than Dun & Bradstreet which shall become a part of the reserve fund. This action is being taken as favorable market prices allow, and is nearing completion. Henceforth, no committed SRC funds will be invested in common stocks. The reserve fund may, at the discretion of the Finance Committee, be invested in securities.

The Committee discussed at some length the matter of handling the reserve fund. Its opinion was that the current Finance Committee represented a valuable collection of investment knowledge. While it was left to the Finance Committee to make a final decision, the Executive Committee was of the opinion that it was unnecessarily costly and cumbersome to place the reserve fund under outside management.

It was reported that the present requirement of the signatures of the President of the Council and the Secretary-Treasurer in order to execute security transactions was awkward, since the two individuals resided in different places. To correct this and provide closer scrutiny the following motion was made and unanimously adopted: That Lorimer D. Milton, as chairman of the Finance Committee, or Joseph F. Haas, as Legal Counsel, be authorized to executive the sale of securities together with the Secretary-Treasurer of the Council, Mrs. Ruth H. Alexander.

Recent Appointments and Activities of Committee Members. -- Mr. John H. Wheeler has been named to serve as a member of the President's Committee on Equal Employment Opportunity. Mr. Wheeler reported that the Committee had held an organizational meeting and that he is encouraged by the President's order and the initial staffing and policies of the Committee.

Dr. Albert W. Dent has been appointed to the Advisory Committee of the Peace Corps and to the Federal Hospital Council. Dr. Dent stated that he felt the Federal Hospital Council appointment to be particularly significant since F.H.C. will be concerned with the policies of all hospitals receiving funds under the Hill-Burton Act.

Dr. Rufus E. Clement serves on the National Science Board.

Other members of the Council who have received recent appointments include Dr. Benjamin E. Mays, appointed to the Advisory Committee of the Peace Corps, and Bishop Joseph Brunini, as member of the Federal Hospital Council.

The Committee noted Colonel Benjamin Muse's new book, Virginia's Massive Resistance, released April 19. The book received very high praise from the retiring director who pointed out the substantial program value of this accounting of the Virginia conflict.

Following a discussion of these and other activities the Committee requested that the staff consider some way in which a listing, for information purposes, could be made of Council Members, their appointments and activities.

Current Fund-Raising. -- Mr. Fleming reported on two grants just received by the Council: a grant from the Field Foundation for $25,000 per year for two years in support of SRC's aid to state councils; and, a grant of $50,000 for a one year period from the Rockefeller Foundation. The Committee expressed its appreciation for the fund-raising accomplishments of the retiring director.

Discussion of Civil War Centennial. -- Mr. Dunbar reported on a meeting with Mr. Dabbs, Dr. Bell Wiley, Mr. Anthony, Mr. Wright, and Mr. Muse which he had arranged to have these members consider means in which the Southern Regional Council could make a worthwhile contribution to the public discussion of the Civil War Centennial.

The Committee agreed with Mr. Dunbar that the Council did have a responsibility and requested that he go ahead with plans to have Mr. Dabbs and other Members prepare material which could be published and distributed in pamphlet form.

Other Business. -- The Committee requested that its commendation of the report, The Federal Executive and Civil Rights, and its recognition of the role of Mr. Dunbar in the preparation of that report become a matter of record.

Mr. Fleming gave the Committee his temporary Washington address and urged Members to contact him when in that area. It was the consensus of the group that, from its inception, the Potomac Institute and the Southern Regional Council should work closely together.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

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PROPOSED AGENDA

Meeting of the Executive Committee
Southern Regional Council
Atlanta, Georgia

July 27, 1961

10:00 a. m. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**
(Staff on Call)

Invocation

Adoption of Agenda

Approval of Minutes of Last Meeting

Reading of "Resolution on SRC's Charter and Tax Exemption"

Report of the Personnel Committee
Mr. Wheeler

Other Matters for Executive Session

GENERAL SESSION

Introduction of New Staff Members
Mr. Dunbar

Discussion of Proposed Programs and Projects
Mr. Dunbar

Proposed Plans for Annual Meeting
Mr. Dunbar and Mr. Anthony

Financial Matters

Reserve Fund - Mr. Milton or Mr. Haas
Audit - Mrs. Alexander
Budget Report -Mr. Anthony

Other Business

3:30 p. m. **ADJOURNMENT**

NOTE: Lunch will be served at 12:30 p. m., or thereafter at the convenience of the Committee.

Minutes of the Executive Committee
Southern Regional Council
July 27, 1961

The meeting of the Executive Committee was called to order at 10:00 a. m., July 27, 1961 with Mr. Wheeler presiding.

Those present: Mr. Brooke, Mr. Christopher, Dr. Clement, Mr. Dabbs, Dr. Griffin, Mr. Haas, Mrs. Hamilton, Mr. Hunter, ~~Mr. Milton~~, Miss Wilkins. All members of the professional staff were present, with Mrs. Miller serving as recording secretary.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Following the invocation, the proposed agenda was adopted and the "Resolution on SRC's Charter and Tax Exemption" was read. There ensued a discussion and clarification of the Resolution, with particular attention to the limits imposed on SRC activities.

Mr. Wheeler presented the report of the Personnel Committee, pointing out that, in so far as possible, it was a policy of the Council to pay competitive salaries to staff. After discussion, the following motion was made and unanimously adopted: That, as of August 1, the Council pay for all staff benefits and grant to all personnel a 5% increase in salary.

GENERAL SESSION

Mr. Dunbar introduced new staff members to the Executive Committee: Dr. Moss, Mrs. Boozer, and Miss Miller of the Research Department; Margaret Long, Director of Information. Mr. Wheeler expressed the pleasure of the Executive Committee over the continuing quality of the staff. Mr. Dunbar also announced the appointment of Mr. Julian Longley to serve as Industrial Consultant with Mr. Muse's Southern Leadership Project.

State Councils. Mr. Dunbar passed out reports of the activities, membership, and financial records of the various state councils on human relations.

Foreign Visitors Center in Knoxville. Mr. Dunbar reported that because of some reluctance on the part of the Board of the Tennessee Valley Authority, the Stern Family Fund and the Southern Regional Council had decided not to pursue the project further at this time.

New Orleans Project. The director announced a grant of $5,000 from the Stern Family Fund to help finance program activities to aid the unhappy school situation in New Orleans as another school year approaches.

Unstaffed Areas. Mr. Dunbar stated that the staff was keenly aware of the need for field work in the states of Mississippi, Louisiana, and Texas. He hoped that some program could be worked out for these areas in the near future.

Voter Registration Effort. Mr. Dunbar reported on the possibility of a grant of money being made available to SRC to undertake a program of voter registration in the southern states, with the cooperation of other organizations already active in the field. A lengthy discussion followed, including the question of SRC's tax exemption, and the wisdom of the Council's becoming involved with other organizations in such a project. The Executive Committee went on record as being heartily in favor of undertaking this assignment, if asked, provided that SRC not be merely a channel for the distribution of funds, but actually in charge of such a project, i. e., setting the direction of the endeavor and determining the distribution of funds within the limitations imposed by the Council's tax exemption and consistent with SRC policies and judgment.

Plans for Annual Meeting. The staff made several recommendations about the Annual Meeting, which will be held November 8 and 9: inviting a distinguished national figure to be speaker at the annual dinner; inviting to non-business sessions of the Board all former Board members of SRC and presidents of the state councils; inviting the press to cover the addresses of the President and the guest speaker; and releasing a notice of the meeting to the press afterwards. The Executive Committee approved the ideas. The Committee requested that reports be made to the Board in writing before the meeting, so as to take up as little time as possible with routine business.

The schedule for the meeting is as follows:

Wednesday, November 8

10:00 a.m.	Executive Committee meeting
12:30 p.m.	Opening session: luncheon, speech by Mr. Dabbs
2:30 - 5:30 p.m.	Formal business session and beginning of program discussion, if time allows.
7:00 p.m.	Banquet and guest speaker

Thursday, November 9

9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.	Report of the Executive Director and program session
12:30 p.m.	Lunch (tentative)

Financial Reports.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE. The Finance Committee, consisting of Mr. Haas, Mr. Milton, and Miss Wilkins, determined after careful consideration that the reserve fund of the Council should be placed under the management of the Trust Company of Georgia in the Common Trust Fund maintained by that institution.

Accordingly, on July 1, 3123 Common Trust Funds units were purchased, at a unit cost of $19.21, for a total investment of $59,992.83. Dividends are paid quarterly. These dividends and any appreciation on the shares owned will be reinvested in the Fund, unless the financial needs of the Council require otherwise.

Following this report, it was moved, seconded, and unanimously adopted: That the Executive Committee ratify the execution of the agreement.

AUDIT. Mrs. Alexander presented the financial statement taken from the audit. Mr. Anthony reported that expenses during the first six months of 1961 were within the amounts authorized by the budget. He further reported that a modest surplus was anticipated, which should take care of any additional obligations and requirements for the remainder of the year.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:30 p. m.

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PROGRAM EMPHASES OF COUNCILS ON HUMAN RELATIONS, 1960-61

ALABAMA: The Alabama Council on Human Relations remains the only regular channel for interracial communication and coordination in this Deep South resistance state. Although one of the smallest, the Alabama Council is one of the best organized of the state councils. It has developed a tradition of unity and loyalty, and has been most effective from the stand-point of self-support and financial solvency.

The Alabama Council works through a series of district and local organizations which completely cover the state. The local groups, ten in number, meet regularly on a monthly basis for study and discussion. In Birmingham the local council was one of the first groups to speak out for law and order and in appeal to federal government during the riots in the wake of the Freedom Rides. In Montgomery the local council publishes a responsible regular newsletter of comment and analysis concerning local affairs, which is mailed to a wide variety of community leaders. The state headquarters has been particularly effective in interpreting local developments to newsmen throughout the nation. The Council is also an effective crisis agency, which has frequently come to the aid of persons subjected to pressure or intimidation.

Last fall the able director of the Council, the Reverend Robert Hughes, was jailed because of his refusal to divulge financial records and membership lists of the ACHR to a grand jury probing New York Times articles concerning the Birmingham situation. The incident brought considerable national sympathy and some sympathetic interpretation of the Council through Birmingham news media. Bob, who is now studying to fulfill a life-long ambition in the missionary field, will be replaced August 1 by the Reverend Norman Jimerson, who has been serving as the Federal Prison Chaplain in Hopewell, Virginia.

ARKANSAS: Among recent activities of the Arkansas Council on Human Relations have been: (1) the organization of an informal, interracial committee to attempt to consider and resolve the sit-in controversy in Pine Bluff. (2) The sponsorship of a retreat for ministers of the Little Rock-Pine Bluff area, focused on the complications facing the minister in the area of human relations. (3) The organization of a local Council on Human Relations in Fayetteville, and the sponsorship with this group of a community-wide community relations workshop. (4) The successful sponsorship with several other groups of a poll-tax and registration contest between the churches of the Negro community to stimulate increased voter registration. (5) The coordination of the first southern conference of NAIRO, the National Association of Intergroup Relations Officers, held in Little Rock.

The Arkansas Council has recently filled its post of Associate Director with the employment of Mr. Ozell Sutton, a former staff supervisor at the Winthrop Rockefeller Farms in Arkansas.

FLORIDA: The Florida Council on Human Relations issued several analyses on the Jacksonville riots last year, virtually the only complete reports made available to the people of that area. The FCHR director was personally active throughout the trouble in Jacksonville.

The Council is carrying out a survey of clergy in 31 cities to examine the organization of ministerial associations and the role of minority representatives.

The FCHR was able to use its good offices to mediate a controversy over hospital facilities in Fort Lauderdale. Public officials of three communities were convened with Negro leadership to consider a tense situation growing out of wade-in rumors. Successful workshops were sponsored in five Florida communities, with over 2,000 persons attending a four-evening workshop in Tampa.

GEORGIA: The Georgia Council on Human Relations now has its first full-time director in Mrs. Frances Pauley, a former president of the state League of Women Voters and a field representative of the HOPE organization. A new local council was organized in Savannah recently, at the height of the tensions growing out of the boycott of a major Negro high school there. The GCHR recently held a workshop for members of the state and of local boards.

The state Council recently produced the first full-scale slick paper magazine to be issued by any of the state groups. It is planned that the publication will appear on a quarterly basis. The Atlanta Council on Human Relations has substantially increased its membership in recent months and is heavily involved in an interorganizational effort to create a constructive climate for the school transition this fall.

KENTUCKY: KCHR is the only unstaffed Council assisted by SRC. Although small in membership, it has made significant contributions over the years through commissioned research efforts and the administration of a few effective special project efforts. It recently issued a report on the job aspirations of Negro high school students in Lexington, Kentucky. This year KCHR has focused primarily on the matter of merit employment and has sponsored one state-wide workshop in this area.

A former director of the Kentucky Council, Galen Martin, is now the staff director of the newly created Governor's Commission on Human Relations.

NORTH CAROLINA: The North Carolina Council has continued its program of mailings of special documents and analyses to a select list of 2,000 leaders throughout the state. This year the NCCHR organized a new group in Raleigh, which now has 75 members.

During recent months the North Carolina Council has negotiated with the Charlotte Chamber of Commerce for more participation of Negro groups and individuals, carried on an unremitting campaign against the building of two new segregated colleges in Charlotte, protested before a state advisory committee the state policy of tokenism in public school desegregation, and issued a helpful and thorough analysis of the meaning and impact of the Freedom Rides.

SOUTH CAROLINA: One of the most effective achievements of SCCHR during the past six months has been directed toward the reestablishment of communications at the college level. Two student conferences have taken place, with representatives from the major white and Negro colleges involved. These are the first such meetings to have been held in the state on an interdenominational basis for some years.

The SCCHR also sponsored a series of district conferences and worked with several Negro groups for the organization and motivation of more effective Negro leadership in several communities. Special state-wide meetings have been held in the area of church concerns and of merit employment.

TENNESSEE: One of the least effective of the state groups until two years ago, the Tennessee Council has displayed continuously increasing strength since the employment of two successive full-time directors. This year TCHR was helpful in the successful mediation of Nashville theatre stand-ins; it interpreted the needs in Haywood and Fayette Counties to the state advisory committee and to the Civil Rights Commission, participated in a conference with the Governor and Vice President Johnson on the merit employment problem, and took the lead in successful efforts to desegregate cultural public institutions.

The Nashville Community Relations Conference held its second annual meeting. The director of TCHR was able to organize a promising council in Jackson, a difficult western Tennessee area.

VIRGINIA: VCHR's able director of the past two years, the Rev. Dan Bowers, who resigned his post to return to the ministry, will be replaced as of August 1 by the Rev. Heslip Lee. This Council continues to be the largest of the state groups both in terms of membership and in terms of local councils. During the past few months, local groups have been organized or have affiliated with VCHR in Norfolk, Roanoke, and Loudoun County. In Charlottesville, the local council has been able to organize a council on human relations among University of Virginia students. The Council in Norfolk was instrumental in desegregating the YWCA cafeteria. In Fairfax County, the local Council gained some significant breakthroughs in Negro employment and organized a high school youth council which successfully campaigned for the extension of extra-curricular participation to Negro students in desegregated schools.

The state office of the VCHR has been in close touch with the Prince Edward County situation, and has been a major channel of news for national consumption.

HOUSTON: Last fall the board of SRC voted to assist the Houston Council on Human Relations, a new local group, if the HCHR could secure local support in the amount of at least $3,000.00 by the first of this year. It did so; it has now secured SRC assistance, employed full-time staff, and has 160 members and five working committees. The Council called last fall for real rather than token desegregation; it sponsored a series of ministerial meetings, and completed a survey of cultural opportunities in Houston. It recently coordinated a post-mortem session on the local experience of the first year of school desegregation.

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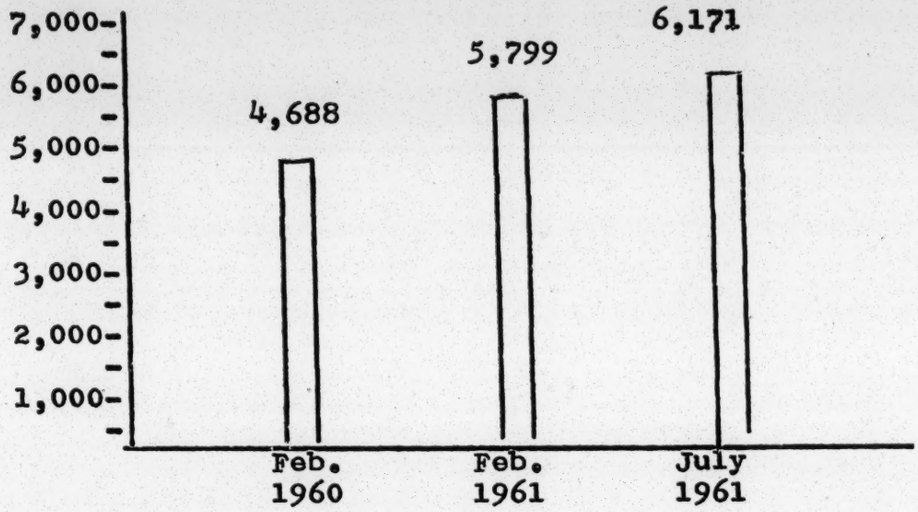
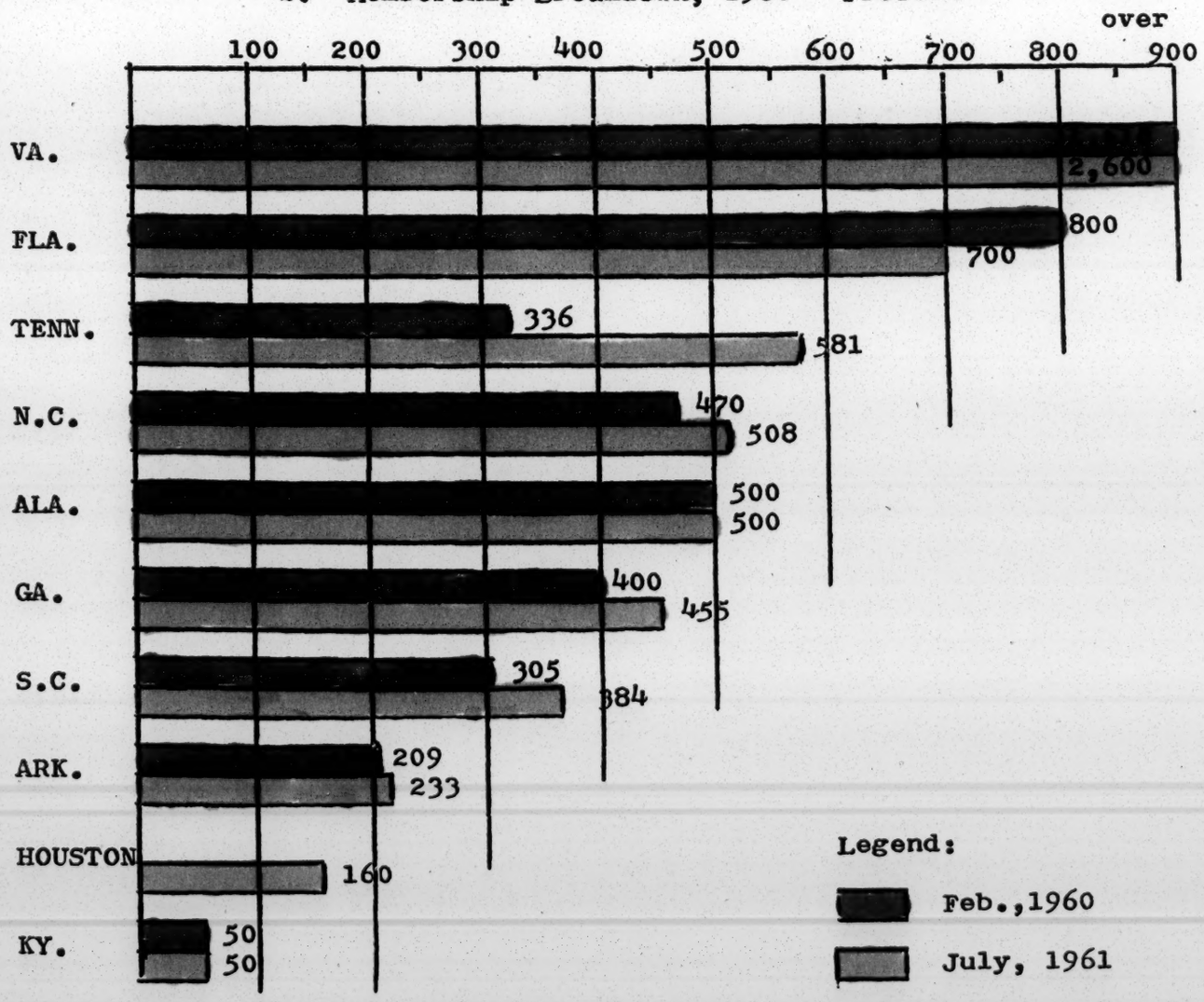
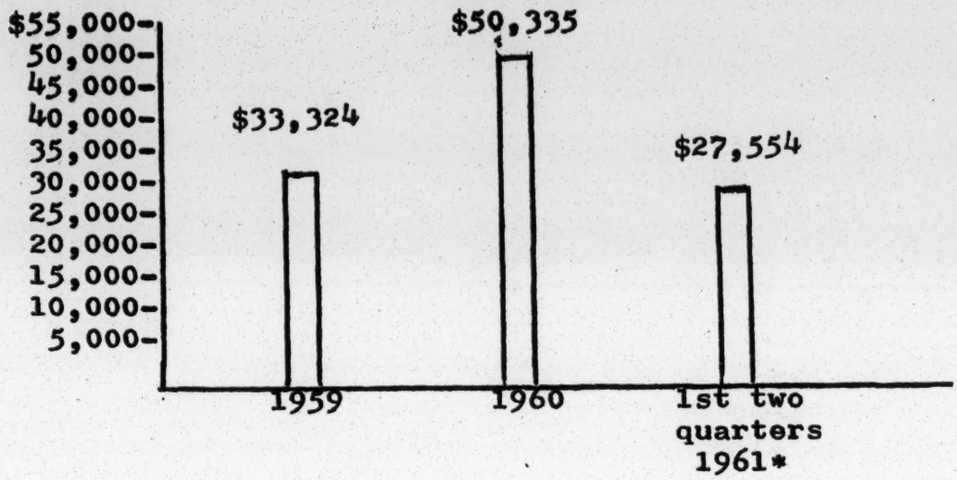


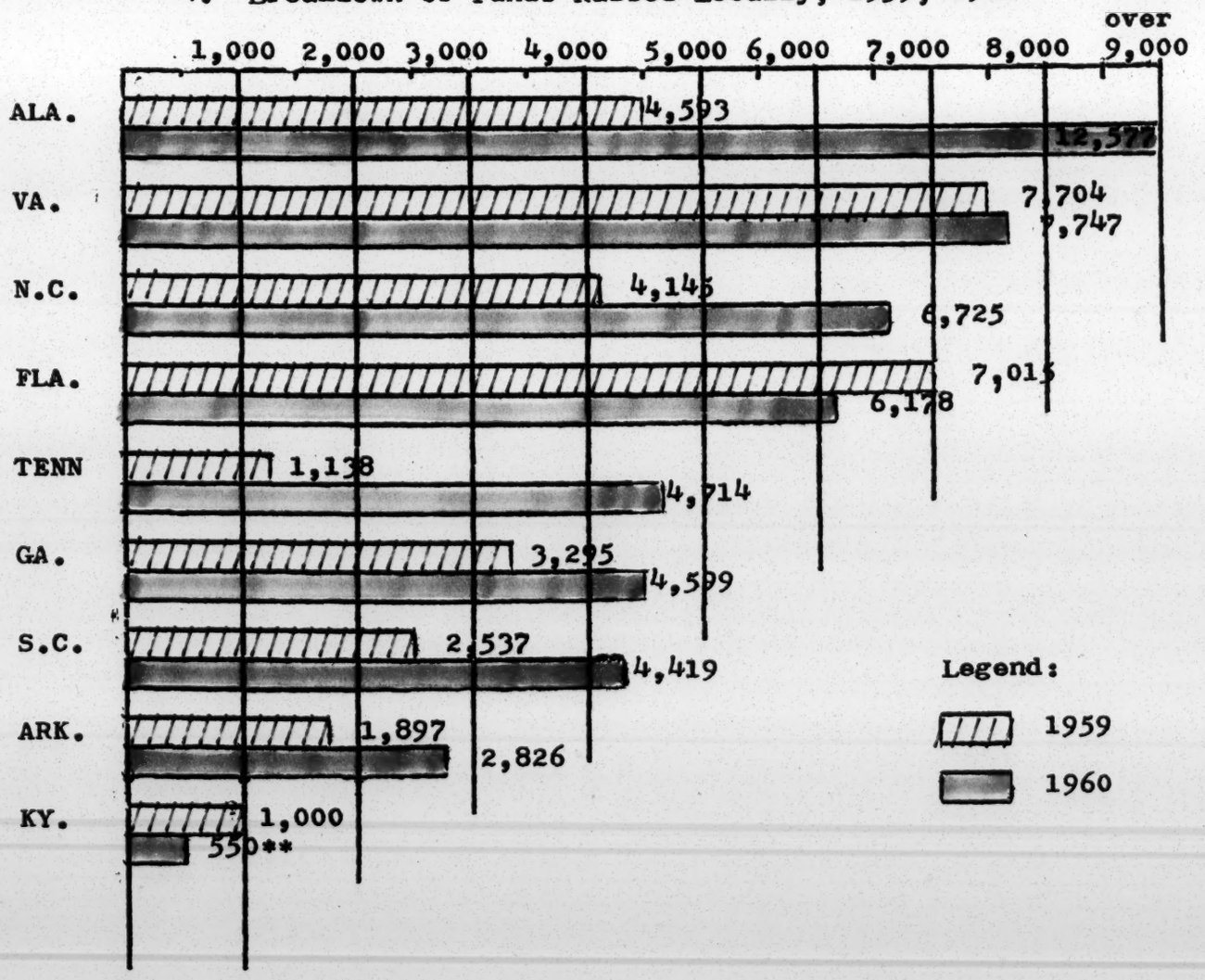
2. Membership Breakdown, 1960 - Present



3. Total Funds Raised Locally, 1959, 1960, 1961



4. Breakdown of Funds Raised Locally, 1959, 1960



* Total omits Kentucky; includes first two quarters plus two months in the case of Arkansas.

** First three quarters only

5. Number of Local Affiliated or Cooperating Groups

	Feb., 1960	Feb., 1961	July, 1961
ALABAMA	10	8	8
ARKANSAS	1	1	1
GEORGIA	4	4	5
FLORIDA	11	12	11
KENTUCKY	-	-	-
NORTH CAROLINA	1	3	3
SOUTH CAROLINA	4	5	5
TENNESSEE	3	6	6
VIRGINIA	10	11	14
AUSTIN, HOUSTON	-	-	2
TOTALS	44	50	55

Report of the Finance Committee:

The Finance Committee, consisting of Mr. Haas, Mr. Milton, and Miss Wilkins determined, after careful consideration, that the reserve fund of the Council should be placed under the management of the Trust Company of Georgia in the Common Trust Fund maintained by that institution.

Accordingly, on July 1, 3123 Common Trust Fund units were purchased, at a unit cost of $19.21, for a total investment of $59,992.83. Dividends are paid quarterly. These dividends and any appreciation on the shares owned will be reinvested in the Fund, unless the financial needs of the Council require otherwise.

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FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Accountant's Certificate

We have examined the financial statement of the Southern Regional Council, Inc. for the period January 1, 1961 to June 30, 1961. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion the accompanying statements taken from the full audit present fairly the financial position of the Southern Regional Council, Inc., at June 30, 1961, and the results of its operation for the period then ended.

Daniel E. Harrison
Registered Public Accountant

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SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

BALANCE SHEET
June 30, 1961

ASSETS

Funds toward future obligations, 1961-62:		
Cash in Bank - Checking	$ 96,840.39	
Investment in Securities	80,000.00	
Trust Fund	60,000.00	
Accounts Receivable - Sale of Stock	21,891.24	$258,731.63
Inventory, Pamphlets	$ 1,500.00	
Office Equipment	8,155.27	
Accounts Receivable	856.54	10,511.81
Total Assets		$269,243.44

LIABILITIES

Due to Special Projects, 1961-62:		
Consultant Service Program	$ 1,890.91	
Registration and Voting Survey	1,552.91	
Fellowship of the Concerned	2,235.48	
Southern Leadership Project	16,709.00	
Special Fund for Educational Projects	8,457.08	
New Orleans Project	85.23	
Southern History Project	4,000.00	$ 34,930.61
Special Grants-in-Aid to State Councils on Human Relations	$ 65,139.15	
Advance Appropriations, General Operations	25,000.00	
Reserve for Trust Fund	60,000.00	
Obligations outstanding	5,771.37	155,910.52
Total Liabilities		$190,841.13
Excess of Assets over Liabilities		78,402.31
Total		$269,243.44

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSES - GENERAL OPERATIONS
January 1, 1961 to June 30, 1961

INCOME

Contributions:		
Foundations	$123,500.00	
Labor & Other Organizations	1,451.39	
Churches	2,125.00	
Individuals	289.00	$127,365.39
Interest Income	400.00	
Dividends on Securities	888.30	
NEW SOUTH Subscriptions	2,943.53	
Sale of Literature	593.21	
Associate Members' Dues	38.00	
Gain on Sale of Securities	14,269.89	19,132.93
Total Income		$146,498.32

EXPENSES

Salaries	$ 46,987.45	
Social Security Taxes	1,384.37	
Travel	4,607.66	
Telephone and Telegraph	2,322.85	
Executive Committee & Annual Meetings	1,595.45	
Consultants' Fees	2,124.00	
Books and Subscriptions	767.80	
Office Supplies	1,763.52	
NEW SOUTH Postage	681.98	
NEW SOUTH Printing	3,524.25	
Postage	784.99	
Printing	3,324.13	
Rent	3,600.00	
Accounting	740.00	
Georgia Sales Tax	4.88	
Miscellaneous	558.00	
Group Hospitalization Insurance	177.47	
Group Term Life Insurance	239.78	
Liability and Fire Insurance	207.45	
Retirement Insurance	723.20	76,119.23
Excess of Income over Expenses		$ 70,379.09

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS - SPECIAL PROJECTS
January 1, 1961 to June 30, 1961

CONSULTANT SERVICE PROGRAM

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1961		$ 7,074.66
Travel Refunds		1.20
Total Receipts		$ 7,075.86

DISBURSEMENTS

Consultants' Fees	$ 2,320.00	
Consultants' Travel and Communication	2,818.64	
Total Disbursements		5,138.64
Balance, June 30, 1961		$ 1,937.22

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REGISTRATION AND VOTING SURVEY

Balance, January 1, 1961	$ 1,552.91

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FELLOWSHIP OF THE CONCERNED

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1961	$ 318.78
John Hay Whitney Foundation	1,000.00
Phelps-Stokes Fund	1,000.00
Total Receipts	$ 2,318.78

DISBURSEMENTS

Travel	$ 63.20	
Program Materials	20.10	
Total Disbursements		83.30
Balance, June 30, 1961		$ 2,235.48

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS - SPECIAL PROJECTS
January 1, 1961 to June 30, 1961

SOUTHERN LEADERSHIP PROJECT

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1961		$ 31,366.55

DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries	$ 4,749.96	
Travel and Communication	2,188.99	
Office Expense	778.62	
Printing and Distribution	2,303.28	
Consultants' Fees	2,850.00	
Consultants' Travel	1,616.03	
Total Disbursements		14,486.88
Balance, June 30, 1961		$ 16,879.67

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SPECIAL FUND FOR EDUCATIONAL PROJECTS

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1961		$ 8,784.24

DISBURSEMENTS

United Church Women - Georgia	$ 127.16	
United Church Women - Florida	200.00	
Total Disbursements		327.16
Balance, June 30, 1961		$ 8,457.08

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS - SPECIAL PROJECTS
January 1, 1961 to June 30, 1961

NEW ORLEANS PROJECT

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1961		$ 4,870.44
Edgar Stern Family Fund		2,000.00
Total Receipts		$ 6,870.44

DISBURSEMENTS

Printing, Promotion, Mailing, etc.	$ 6,258.14	
Travel and Communication	527.07	
Total Disbursements		6,785.21
Balance, June 30, 1961		$ 85.23

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SOUTHERN HISTORY PROJECT

RECEIPTS

The Field Foundation	$ 4,000.00

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

SCHEDULE OF CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED - GENERAL OPERATIONS
January 1, 1961 to June 30, 1961

CONTRIBUTIONS

Foundations:		
The Field Foundation	$ 50,000.00	
The Rockefeller Foundation	50,000.00	
Hopkins Charitable Fund	2,500.00	
New York Foundation	2,500.00	
The Ottinger Foundation	2,000.00	
Aaron E. Norman Fund	1,500.00	
Marion R. Ascoli Fund	1,000.00	
Adele R. Levy Fund	1,000.00	
Total		$110.500.00
Labor and Other Organizations:		
Industrial Union Department, AFL-CIO	$ 500.00	
International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union	500.00	
U. S. South African Leader Exchange	250.00	
American Newspaper Guild	25.00	
Consolidated Charities, LeMoyne College	20.00	
Total		$ 1,295.00
Churches:		
Woman's Division of Christian Service of the Methodist Church	$ 1,200.00	
Division of National Missions of the Board of Missions of the Methodist Church	500.00	
Board of National Missions of the United Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A.	250.00	
Board of Education of the Methodist Church	150.00	
Woman's Society of Christian Service, North Carolina Conference	25.00	
Total		$ 2,125.00

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
AID TO INDEPENDENT STATE COUNCILS ON HUMAN RELATIONS
January 1, 1961 to June 30, 1961

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1961	$ 41,500.00
Field Foundation, Inc., 1961-62	50,000.00
Total Receipts	$ 91,500.00

DISBURSEMENTS

Alabama Council on Human Relations	$ 1,462.50	
Arkansas Council on Human Relations	1,600.00	
Florida Council on Human Relations	1,700.00	
Georgia Council on Human Relations	4,750.00	
Houston (Texas) Council on Human Relations	1,500.00	
Kentucky Council on Human Relations	375.00	
North Carolina Council on Human Relations	3,900.00	
South Carolina Council on Human Relations	3,015.61	
Tennessee Council on Human Relations	1,750.00	
Virginia Council on Human Relations	5,325.00	
State Aid Discretionary Fund	982.74	
Total Disbursements		26,360.85
Balance, June 30, 1961		$ 65,139.15

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PROPOSED AGENDA

Meeting of the Executive Committee

November 8, 1961

General Session

10:00 a.m. Invocation

Adoption of Agenda

Consideration of the following to be Presented to the Annual Meeting:

Report of the Secretary-Treasurer
Mrs. Ruth Alexander

Proposed Budgets, 1962
Paul Anthony

Proposed Grants-in-Aid
Paul Rilling

Proposed Change in the By-Laws
Paul Anthony

Other Business

Executive Session

Consideration of recommendation of confirmation to Annual Meeting of the Executive Director, the Secretary-Treasurer and the Counsel

Other Business

12:00 noon Adjournment

Minutes of the Meeting of the Executive Committee
Atlanta, Georgia
November 8, 1961

The meeting of the Executive Committee was called to order at 9:30 a.m., in the Board Room at Atlanta University on November 8, 1961, Mr. John Wheeler, presiding.

Others present: Mr. Dabbs, Dr. Dent, Mr. Wright, Miss Wilkins, Mr. Brooke, Mr. Christopher, Mrs. Hamilton, Mr. Hunter, and Rabbi Rothschild. Members of the professional staff were present with Mrs. Muriel Berger serving as recording secretary.

GENERAL SESSION

Following the invocation the proposed agenda (attached) was adopted.

The minutes of the last meeting were approved and adopted. The "Resolution on SRC's Charter and Tax Exemption" was read as required.

Financial Reports:

Consideration of Reports to be Submitted to the Annual Meeting.

The report of the Secretary-Treasurer (attached) was made by Mrs. Alexander. Mrs. Alexander also reported receipt of a gift of $3,232.00, the final payment of the bequest from the William Emerson estate. Following discussion, it was moved, seconded, and unanimously adopted: That the final gift from the Emerson Estate be placed in the Reserve Fund.

It was moved, seconded, and unanimously adopted: That the Report of the Secretary Treasurer be accepted as read, with an expression of appreciation to Mrs. Alexander.

Proposed Budgets:

Mr. Anthony presented the (attached) proposed budgets for 1962. Following discussion and consideration of the individual items of the budgets, it was moved, seconded, and unanimously adopted: That the proposed budgets be submitted to the Annual Meeting with the recommendation that they be approved subject to review and revision, throughout the year, by the Executive Committee.

Proposed Grants-in-Aid:

Mr. Rilling presented proposals for distribution of a total of $50,000 for grants-in-aid, with an additional $2,000 subject to the availability of funds. (Attached) The proposals were based on the past procedure of making funds available to state Councils on Human Relations on a matching funds basis. The method was reported to have been successful during the past year and generally well received by the state councils.

Following discussion, it was moved, seconded, and unanimously adopted: That the proposed schedule of grants-in-aid be submitted to the Annual Meeting.

Proposed Changes in the By-Laws:

Proposed changes in the By-Laws were brought before the Committee for consideration. (Attached) It was explained that these had been sent to all Members of the Council on October 5, 1961 in meeting the provision that proposed changes be brought to the attention of the Council at least 30 days before the Annual Meeting. Following discussion, it was moved, seconded, and unanimously adopted: That the proposed changes of Article II, Section I., Par. A & B of the By-Laws, increasing the membership of the Council to 100 from 80 members, be approved by the Executive Committee and be submitted to the Annual Meeting for consideration by the full Council.

Mr. Dunbar reported on developments pertaining to the proposed voter registration project and assured the Committee that discussions with the Taconic Foundation and potential cooperating agencies were proceeding according to the decisions reached by the Committee and its sub-committee in earlier meetings. He stated that, while such a possibility was unlikely, he felt that SRC should not undertake the project if it developed that the NAACP would not participate in such a program. The Committee agreed with this opinion and moved, seconded, and unanimously adopted the following motion: That SRC make any request for funds to conduct a voter registration project contingent on the cooperation and participation of the NAACP in such a project and that if this participation and cooperation was not forthcoming that the matter be considered further.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Committee met in Executive Session and in keeping with the requirements of the By-Laws moved, seconded, and unanimously adopted the following motion: That the Executive Committee recommends to the Council the confirmation of the present Executive Director, Secretary-Treasurer, and Counsel for the coming year.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at noon.

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Exec. Comm. file
1961

November 24, 1961

The Reverend Duncan Hunter
District Superintendent
Methodist Church
1009 Westmoreland Avenue
Huntsville, Alabama

Dear Reverend Hunter:

For the past several years, we have been pleased to have the privilege of serving with you on the Executive Committee of the Southern Regional Council. I am sure that I speak for all your colleagues on the Committee when I express gratitude and appreciation for your counsel and interest.

Although the policy of the Council has been to rotate membership on the Executive Committee, the disadvantage, of course, is that while gaining the insight and vigor of new persons, we lose, for at least a while, the services of tried and true members of the Committee. We are particularly mindful of this latter fact now because at the Annual Meeting you and Mr. L. D. Milton were replaced on the Committee by Dr. Franklin Williams of Miami and Dr. Stephen Wright of Nashville.

must never The Executive Committee and the entire Council wish me to thank you for your valuable services and for your continued interest in the Council.

With best wishes.

Sincerely yours,

John H. Wheeler, Chairman
Executive Committee

JHW/p
cc: Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar

November 24, 1961

Mr. L. D. Milton, President
Citizens Trust Company
212 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Milton:

For the past several years, we have been pleased to have the privilege of serving with you on the Executive Committee of the Southern Regional Council. I am sure that I speak for all your colleagues on the Committee when I express gratitude and appreciation for your counsel and interest.

Although the policy of the Council has been to rotate membership on the Executive Committee, the disadvantage, of course, is that while gaining the insight and vigor of new persons, we lose, for at least a while, the services of tried and true members of the Committee. We are particularly mindful of this latter fact now because at the Annual Meeting you and the Reverend Duncan Hunter were replaced on the Committee by Dr. Franklin Williams of Miami and Dr. Stephen Wright of Nashville.

You were, however, selected to continue as Chairman of the Council's Finance Committee.

The Executive Committee and the entire Council wish me to thank you for your valuable services and for your continued interest in the Council.

With best wishes.

Sincerely yours,

John H. Wheeler, Chairman
Executive Committee

JHW/D
cc: Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

MEMORANDUM May 24, 1961

To: Members of Executive Committee

From: Leslie W. Dunbar

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A proposal has been put before us, by the Stern Family Fund, which offers the Council an opportunity to perform a useful national service. The proposal also, however, would lead SRC into new paths and would add new demands on our staff.

For these reasons, I want by means of this letter to acquaint you fully with the proposal. The staff has discussed the matter at length and, with reservations which will be mentioned later, favors its acceptance.

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The Stern Family Fund has become interested in providing a center for foreign visitors to TVA. Particularly in the underdeveloped regions of the world, TVA is one of the brightest and best known aspects of American life. Possibly no place in the country, other than Washington and New York, is more eagerly visited. Despite the coolness of the last administration, foreign visitors numbered 2,543 in 1959 and 2,056 in 1960; all of these were travelling under some sort of official sponsorship. TVA officials expect a marked increase, now that a sympathetic administration will be encouraging visits; the Authority is, in fact, now adding a second full-time staff person to coordinate visits, and in other ways is enlarging its plans. Of the total number of visitors, 100 in 1959 and 74 in 1960 were "trainees," staying for from 1 to 13 weeks each, with an average of 6 weeks. The remaining, or so-called "general study," visitors stayed from 1 to 14 days, tending to average about 3 days.

TVA officials estimate that about 2/3 of the visitors are from underdeveloped countries of Africa, Asia, and Latin America. Some number of American college students also are brought to TVA for special courses.

We were approached by the Stern Family Fund about two weeks ago regarding the possibility that SRC might operate a center in the Knoxville vicinity for these sponsored visitors who are, as was pointed out, chiefly from abroad. Last Thursday (May 18) I went, on invitation, to Washington and met for several hours with Helen Hill Miller. Mrs. Miller (wife of SRC Board member Francis P. Miller) has had the leadership within the Fund on this matter. Harold Fleming sat in for a part of the discussion. On Friday morning I met for a second lengthy conference with Aubrey J. Wagner, TVA Board member and former General Manager; Marguerite Owen, TVA representative in Washington; Roy Mc Corkle and Earl Edwards, American Friends Service Committee; Mrs. Miller; and Harold. From this second meeting I obtained clear assurances that TVA is thoroughly--almost beseechingly--interested in the undertaking and desirous of working intimately with the proposed center.

The idea is to lease a suitable facility in or near Knoxville, where lodging, food,and planned program would be available for sponsored visitors to TVA. Visitors travel on per diem usually, and would therefore be expected to pay for their keep. The operation could not possibly, however, be self-sustaining. Subsequent to my visit to Washington, the Board of the Stern Family Fund met and approved a five-year project, granting up to $75,000-a-year for the first three years, $60,000 for the fourth, and $50,000 for the fifth. The Board also gave Mrs. Miller discretionary authority to select a private agency to receive the grant and assume full charge of the center: we are the chosen agency.

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There are a number of considerations which cause the staff to recommend this undertaking to you.

(1) <u>We would perform a distinct national service</u>. TVA has its own orientation program which pretty well takes up the day. There remain the after hours and the week-ends. These foreign guests are sometimes people of importance in their countries, more often the important persons of tomorrow. SRC would have the opportunity, through good programs and warm hospitality, to introduce them to the United States and to be a means of communicating to them a sense of our values and beliefs; we would also have the chance to attract their good will toward the United States.

(2) We would have an opportunity to interpret the South to strangers.
Somehow I find very appealing the prospect of these people being welcomed and attended by the South, represented by the Southern Regional Council.

(3) SRC has special qualifications for the task.
Our long experience in racial relations equips us uniquely well for operating a center serving a large proportion of non-whites.

(4) Incidental benefits.
Although the primary purpose would always have first claim, there is a likelihood that the center could be used for various others of our activities.

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On the other hand, there are some strong cautions.

(1) Our inexperience in operation of a lodge.
Probably the only prudent measure would be to contract with a concessionaire to manage the housekeeping and the kitchen.

(2) The difficulty of recruiting able staff persons to conduct program activities.
We can only do our best. The American Friends Service Committee has pledged support and counsel in recruiting staff and planning program.

(3) Distraction of the Atlanta office from its main tasks.
This is, to my mind, the strongest cause of concern. The staff has discussed this at length and is alert to the risk. The best answer is to find responsible staff for the Knoxville center. I would not, however, want the Executive Committee to believe that operation of the center would not add something to the cares of the Atlanta office; nor that it might not be a factor which, added to others, might require enlargement of Atlanta staff. This is not a prediction, and certainly not a hope; it is a warning of a result which is at least possible.

(4) Provision of the center would take a burden off the conscience of Knoxville and environs regarding racial discrimination.
At present, the two largest Knoxville hotels accept non-white foreigners at the request of TVA. Meals are not available at those hotels or the restaurants. If the only, or chief, purpose of the center were to provide non-discriminatory treatment, I would not be in favor of it: Knoxville needs to solve that one itself. The purpose would be the different one, of giving these visitors cordiality, and to help them in understanding America.

(5) What happens after the five years?
I have told Mrs. Miller that, if SRC accepts, there will be no commitment, express or implied, that SRC will continue after the Stern grant ends or will in any way commit itself to raise support from other quarters. If the project is a success, we would want it to continue; we would not, however, be committed morally or in any other way.

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There remains a number of practical problems. The two chief ones are:

(1) Location of a desirable place.

TVA is making a thorough canvass of the area, and the choice would be made by SRC, in consultation with TVA and Stern.

(2) A professional budget analysis and forecast to assure us in advance that the Stern grant would be a sufficient subsidy; this can be done only after a site has been selected and the rent is known. Mrs. Miller is hopeful that the analysis may be done without charge by the General Services Administration, at TVA's request. In the event it cannot be, I have told her that we would want Stern to consider paying for a private consultant to do the job.

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Before these two problems are met and explored, I would like to ascertain your opinions regarding the project.

- Do you favor it in principle?

Would you please call me, if possible, by Friday, May 26, with your reply?*

If you concur with the staff in favoring the idea, we shall proceed with site selection and with obtaining advice on the financial picture. The staff will then be in a position to make a final recommendation.

It was the opinion of the staff that you should be convened in a special meeting to consider the financial analysis and to make the final decision. If you would prefer to handle this entirely by phone, or would want to delegate to the staff the authority to evaluate the financial picture and decide, please tell me when you call.

This memorandum accurately reflects, I believe, the staff analysis and consensus regarding the proposal. It only remains for me to add my personal view, which is that this presents an opportunity we ought not to miss both for service to the nation and for the strengthening of SRC.

With best wishes.

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*The reason for the hurry is simple: Stern first put this proposal before the Friends Service Committee, and gave it several months to consider. Finally, in late April, the Friends decided they could not decide. Both Stern and TVA are anxious now to move at once.

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

May 25, 1961

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Dr. Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Les:

I have carefully read your memorandum of May 24 relating to the Stern Family Fund's offer to support the TVA visitors project, if the Southern Regional Council will be the operating agency. I think that you have quite adequately stated the pros and cons of the question. I am pleased to concur with your recommendations and reservations.

I do not think it is necessary to call a special meeting of the Executive Committee to make final action. I think you might very well make your recommendations to the Committee after you have all the facts in hand and get a decision by telephone.

With kind regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

Rufus

REC:b

MEMBER UNITED NEGRO COLLEGE FUND

Dent – very much for it – ought not to dig into other resources, either financial or personnel – but think we need a meeting

Wheeler – pretty heavy responsibility – do without tail wagging dog? – should give it a try

Carroll Brooks – sounds

very good to me –
I should judge about
meeting – not too
anxious to come.

Grace Hamilton – opportunity

too great to miss –
nothing in situation too
great to manage

Joë Haar - tremendously exciting - enthusiastic approval

Josephine Wilkin - ought to proceed - a prestige step (but cannot afford it?) - will strengthen the Council

Rabbi Rothschild - separate administration & program

good idea - are we the agency? should be meeting of Exec Comm

James Dubler - go along ~~along~~ another step in putting us on broader basis - become a southern council - not much concerned whether there is a meeting: will go along

Rufus Clement - letter

Marion Wright - no reservation - like to go along - good to get out of Atlanta - idea excellent - good to have concessionaire (liability) Stern should approve contractor & form of "lease" - overhead - logical extension

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

BALANCE SHEET
October 31, 1960

ASSETS

Funds toward future obligations, 1960-61:			
Cash in Banks - Checking		$ 37,767.05	
Investment in Securities (Market Value 6/30/60)		109,640.25	
Total Assets			$147,407.30

LIABILITIES

Due to Special Projects, 1960-61:			
Research Department		$ 4,582.58	
Consultant Service Program		8,738.37	
Voting Survey		1,552.91	
Fellowship of the Concerned		4,960.47	
Southern Leadership Project		35,626.05	
Contingency Fund		9,460.63	
New Orleans Project		506.04	
Special Grants-in-Aid to State Councils on Human Relations		38,500.00	$103,927.05
General Operations, 1961	$ 25,000.00		
Reserve Fund	18,480.25		43,480.25
Total Liabilities			$147,407.30

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS - SPECIAL PROJECTS
January 1, 1960 to October 31, 1960

RESEARCH DEPARTMENT

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1960		$ 28,821.54
Travel Refunds		345.23
Total Receipts		$ 29,166.77

DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries	$ 15,138.01	
Travel and Communication	730.38	
Printing	4,993.27	
Books and Subscriptions	1,058.33	
Office Supplies	918.23	
Consultants' Fees	928.00	
Consultants' Travel	817.97	
Total Disbursements		24,584.19
Balance, October 31, 1960		$ 4,582.58

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CONSULTANT SERVICE PROGRAM

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1960		$ 15,653.15
Travel Refunds		232.17
Total Receipts		$ 15,885.32

DISBURSEMENTS

Consultants' Fees	$ 3,476.10	
Travel and Communication	3,663.85	
Program Materials	7.00	
Total Disbursements		7,146.95
Balance, October 31, 1960		$ 8,738.37

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS - SPECIAL PROJECTS
January 1, 1960 to October 31, 1960

VOTING SURVEY

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1960		$ 1,802.13

DISBURSEMENTS

Consultants' Fees	$ 180.00	
Travel and Communication	51.45	
Supplies	17.77	
Total Disbursements		249.22
Balance, October 31, 1960		$ 1,552.91

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FELLOWSHIP OF THE CONCERNED

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1960		$ 1,149.37
John Hay Whitney Foundation	$ 2,000.00	
Phelps-Stokes Fund	2,000.00	
Mrs. Katharine Cole	10.00	4,010.00
Total Receipts		$ 5,159.37

DISBURSEMENTS

Travel for State Meetings	$ 134.74	
Program Materials	64.16	
Total Disbursements		198.90
Balance, October 31, 1960		$ 4,960.47

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS - SPECIAL PROJECTS
January 1, 1960 to October 31, 1960

SOUTHERN LEADERSHIP PROJECT

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1960		$ 21,121.91
Rockefeller Brothers Fund		40,000.00
Total Receipts		$ 61,121.91

DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries	$ 6,210.10	
Travel and Communication	2,984.87	
Office Expense	1,478.86	
Printing and Distribution	5,407.20	
Consultants' Fees	3,609.00	
Consultants' Travel	1,805.83	
Overhead	4,000.00	
Total Disbursements		25,495.86
Balance, October 31, 1960		$ 35,626.05

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CONTINGENCY FUND

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1960		$ 5,701.53
New World Foundation		5,000.00
Total Receipts		$ 10,701.53

DISBURSEMENTS

Travel	$ 122.76	
Oberlin College	50.00	
Printing - United Church Women	37.60	
Printing - ACCA Pamphlet	400.00	
Reprinting - The Agony of the Southern Minister	234.12	
Printing - Nashville Community Relations Conference	267.67	
Reprinting - A Southern Point of View	128.75	
Total Disbursements		1,240.90
Balance, October 31, 1960		$ 9,460.63

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS - SPECIAL PROJECTS
August 1, 1960 to October 31, 1960

NEW ORLEANS PROJECT

RECEIPTS

Edgar Stern Family Fund		$10,000.00

DISBURSEMENTS

Printing, Promotion, Mailing, etc.	$ 8,477.75	
Travel and Communication	1,016.21	
Total Disbursements		9,493.96
Balance, October 31, 1960		$ 506.04

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSES - GENERAL OPERATIONS
January 1, 1960 to October 31, 1960

INCOME

Contributions:		
Foundations	$64,750.00	
Organizations	3,510.00	
Churches	3,400.00	
Individuals	14,127.63	
Bequest, Cash	23,600.00	$109,387.63
Interest Income	1,528.54	
Dividends on Securities	2,293.23	
NEW SOUTH Subscriptions	4,476.50	
Sale of Literature	833.00	
Associate Members' Dues	60.00	
Sale of Securities	20,000.00	
Overhead	4,000.00	33,191.27
Total Income		$142,578.90

EXPENSES

Salaries	$58,554.64	
Social Security Taxes	1,899.22	
Travel	7,408.05	
Telephone and Telegraph	2,999.62	
Executive Committee and Annual Meeting	1,654.38	
Consultant Fees	1,060.00	
Books and Subscriptions	192.97	
Office Supplies	1,114.59	
NEW SOUTH Postage	1,331.99	
NEW SOUTH Printing	4,358.88	
Postage	1,065.23	
Printing	2,941.13	
Insurance	702.32	
Rent	3,900.00	
Accounting	400.00	
Georgia Sales Tax	10.36	
Miscellaneous	1,022.87	
Grants-in-Aid to State Councils	32,595.23	
Group Hospitalization Insurance	327.84	
Group Term Life Insurance	436.92	
Retirement Insurance	649.54	
Office Equipment	635.04	
Office Repairs, Maintenance and Moving Expense	6,360.36	
Total Expenses		131,621.18
Excess of Income over Expenses		$ 10,957.72

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
AID TO INDEPENDENT STATE COUNCILS ON HUMAN RELATIONS
January 1, 1960 to October 31, 1960

RECEIPTS

Allocation from General Operating Funds	$ 32,595.23	
Field Foundation, Inc. - 1960-61	25,000.00	
Individual Donor (received 1959 for 1960)	25,000.00	
Taconic Foundation - 1961	25,000.00	
Rockefeller Brothers Fund (for Arkansas)	8,000.00	
Individual Contributions	1,499.62	
Total Receipts		$117,094.85

DISBURSEMENTS

Grants-in-Aid from General Operating Fund:		
Alabama Council on Human Relations	$ 4,200.00	
Arkansas Council on Human Relations	3,500.00	
Florida Council on Human Relations	3,900.00	
Georgia Council on Human Relations	3,500.00	
Kentucky Council on Human Relations	1,125.00	
North Carolina Council on Human Relations	3,900.00	
South Carolina Council on Human Relations	3,900.00	
Tennessee Council on Human Relations	3,500.00	
Virginia Council on Human Relations	3,900.00	
State Aid Discretionary Fund	1,170.23	32,595.23
Individual Donor:		
Alabama Council on Human Relations	$ 3,000.00	
Arkansas Council on Human Relations	1,000.00	
Florida Council on Human Relations	2,500.00	
Georgia Council on Human Relations	3,000.00	
Kentucky Council on Human Relations	500.00	
North Carolina Council on Human Relations	3,000.00	
South Carolina Council on Human Relations	3,000.00	
Tennessee Council on Human Relations	2,500.00	
Virginia Council on Human Relations	3,000.00	
Field Services Rendered - General Operations	2,500.00	24,000.00
Field Foundation:		
Alabama Council on Human Relations	$ 2,000.00	
Arkansas Council on Human Relations	1,300.00	
Florida Council on Human Relations	1,300.00	
Georgia Council on Human Relations	1,300.00	
Kentucky Council on Human Relations	500.00	
North Carolina Council on Human Relations	1,400.00	
South Carolina Council on Human Relations	1,400.00	
Tennessee Council on Human Relations	1,300.00	
Virginia Council on Human Relations	1,500.00	
Delta Foundation - Mississippi Field Work	500.00	12,500.00
Arkansas Council on Human Relations - Rockefeller Brothers Fund		8,000.00
Individual Contributions:		
Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia and North Carolina		1,499.62
Total Disbursements		$ 78,594.85
Balance, October 31, 1960	$38,500.00	

PROPOSED STATE ASSISTANCE, 1961

State	Regular SRC Grant 1960	Matching Grant 1960	Funds raised locally first 3 quarters 1960	Proposed Basic Grant	Proposed Matching Grant	Total SRC Assistance Possible
Alabama*	$4,200	$3,000	$8,478	$3,900	$2,400	$ 6,300
Arkansas	3,500	2,000	1,785	3,200	2,000	5,200
Florida	3,900	2,500	5,326	3,400	2,000	5,400
Georgia*	3,500	4,500	4,109	3,500	2,000	5,500
Kentucky	1,500	500	550	750	750	1,500
North Carolina	3,900	3,000	6,107	3,600	2,100	5,700
South Carolina	3,900	3,000	4,056	3,700	2,300	6,000
Tennessee	3,500	2,500	3,652	3,500	2,100	5,600
Virginia	3,900	3,000	6,713	3,900	2,400	6,300
Houston					1,500	1,500
State Aid Discretionary Fund	1,200			1,000		1,000
Totals	$33,000	$24,000	$40,376	$30,450	$19,550	$50,000

* Proposed grants contingent upon employment of full time state staff

MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
Southern Regional Council
February 2, 1961

The meeting of the Executive Committee was called to order at 10:00 a.m. in the conference room of the Southern Regional Council on February 2, 1961, Dr. Rufus E. Clement presiding.

Those present: Dr. Dent, Mr. Dabbs, Mr. Christopher, Mr. Wright, Mrs. Hamilton, Rabbi Rothschild, Mr. Wheeler, Mr. Brooke, and Dr. Griffin. All members of the professional staff were present, with Mrs. Flowers serving as recording secretary.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Following the invocation, the agenda was adopted as proposed. Dr. Clement expressed the wish that he not be re-elected to a further term as Chairman of the Executive Committee. Mr. John H. Wheeler was unanimously elected to the chairmanship.

Members of the Committee expressed their deep appreciation to Dr. Clement for the invaluable service he has rendered to the Committee and to the whole Council during his tenure as chairman.

The minutes of the last meeting were approved with the addition of a resolution on the Council's charter and tax-exemption submitted by Mr. Joseph Haas, Legal Counsel, as amended (see attached).

Mr. Dabbs presented the report of the Personnel Committee including written job descriptions and information on current salaries and tenure. The Committee's recommendations on salaries were approved, as was the Personnel Committee's recommendation that Dr. Leslie W. Dunbar be designated Assistant Director of the Council, in addition to his present title of Director of Research.

The Executive Director was invited into the meeting and informed of the actions taken in the Executive Session. On behalf of the staff, he expressed profound gratitude for the leadership and cooperation which Dr. Clement has given to all of the affairs of the Council during his service as chairman of the Executive Committee. He also expressed for the staff gratification at Mr. Wheeler's election and willingness to assume these important duties.

The Committee was then declared in general session and the other members of the professional staff and the recording secretary were invited to join the Committee. The Chairman commended the staff members for the quality of their work and expressed to them the Committee's appreciation. It was noted that Mrs. Alexander was absent due to illness. The Committee requested that the staff convey to her their wishes for a speedy recovery.

GENERAL SESSION

Changes in Budget, 1961. -- Mr. Anthony made a report of the proposed changes in the operating budget for 1961. It was indicated that the revised budget was essentially the same as that approved at the Annual Meeting, with the exception that the Research Department budget had been deleted from the Special Projects section and added to the General Operating budget and increased by $5,000. Copy attached.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the recommended changes in the budget were approved.

Comments on Fund-Raising. -- Mr. Fleming pointed out that a total of $103,775 must yet be raised during 1961 if all expenditures, as budgeted, are met. Of this amount he reported that the Council is hopeful of a renewal of the New World Foundation's grant of $20,000 and of a grant from the Field Foundation which will allow an additional $12,500 in aid to state councils during the year. The Committee was also informed that the staff has made a request to the Rockefeller Foundation for a grant of $50,000-a-year for five years. The outcome of this request is uncertain, since it is not a policy of that Foundation to assist organizations such as the Council. However, it was the opinion of the Director that the willingness of the Foundation's officers to consider the Council was of considerable significance.

Report on SRC's Common Stock Holdings. -- It was reported that SRC continues to hold (at book value) approximately $117,000 in stocks. Of these, the large holdings in Gulf Oil have been depressed in value since shortly after they were acquired as a gift in December 1958. The holdings are now approaching their book value for the first time in several years. The director reported that a series of recommendations are being prepared for the Finance Committee. These recommendations,

if approved, will facilitate the sale of the stocks under the most favorable circumstances.

Report on New Members. -- At the 1960 Annual Meeting five new members were elected to Council membership: Mrs. Charles White, Houston, Texas; Mr. Wiley Branton, Pine Bluff, Arkansas; Dr. Douglas Jackson, Dallas, Texas; Dr. Frank Graham, Chapel Hill, North Carolina; and Mr. Henry Brandis, Chapel Hill, North Carolina. All but Mr. Brandis have accepted membership. Word from Mr. Brandis is expected shortly.

Discussion of Program. -- Program reports on major SRC activities, with the exception of the Southern Leadership Project, were mailed to the Committee in advance. Mr. Muse briefed the Committee on the recent activities of the Leadership Project, reporting that visits had been made to Alabama, North and South Carolina and Virginia. Additional trips were planned for the near future in the deep South. To date conferences have been held with five governors and more than 40 newspaper editors in the South, in addition to a number of other community leaders.

Mr. Brewbaker, special school consultant, reported that he had just completed a trip to 21 cities in which he spoke with school superintendents and other individuals and groups concerned with public education. Mr. Brewbaker reported favorable reception in the great majority of these visits.

(The meeting adjourned at 12:30 p.m. for lunch and reconvened in general session at 1:30 p.m.)

SRC Committee of Attorneys. -- Mr. Haas, chairman of the Committee of Attorneys, was unable to be present. He reported by letter his plans for the Committee as follows:

> "With regard to the matter concerning the Committee of Attorneys, I talked with Paul Anthony and suggested that he send me a list of attorneys who are either members of SRC, or who have done work for SRC, or who, for one reason or another, we know, (and I distinguish this particularly from "believe") to be in sympathy with SRC. With this list, it will be my purpose to contact the attorneys with the suggestion that we undertake, each in our own local Bars, to create a better climate not only for SRC but also for all

unpopular (from a local standpoint) causes. It seems that we will do SRC a service as well as the others for whom we speak if we approach this on the broad basis of using the Alabama situation merely as an example of what can happen to a particular unpopular cause rather than to try to make this just an SRC program alone. I would be particularly guided by the thoughts of Mr. Wright on this phase of the matter, because of his experience and because he is a fellow member of the Bar."

International Institute. -- The Executive Committee instructed the staff to continue to explore the idea of having an Institute on Race Relations and International Affairs held in the South. Suggested sponsors were rated in the following order: The University of North Carolina, Colonial Williamsburg, The American Association for the United Nations, and the American Assembly.

It was pointed out that the site of such an institute would have to be one where there were absolutely no racial restrictions on the facilities available.

In approaching potential sponsors, it was suggested that Dr. Frank Graham should be asked to assist with the University of North Carolina and, if Colonial Williamsburg is approached, the appropriate person would be Mr. Hummelsein.

In view of the interest and assistance of Dr. Guy Johnson at the University of North Carolina, the staff was instructed to await further word from Dr. Johnson before proceeding with the other potential sponsors.

Work with Colleges. -- An analysis of existing college programs in the South and SRC's role in this area was mailed to the Committee in advance. The Committee agreed that a full-scale college program with special SRC staff should not be undertaken. In lieu of this, and in addition to those programs now being carried on, the staff was instructed to do the following:

(1) Prepare a handbook or background report which would guide college administrators in carrying out campus desegregation.

(2) Add college and university presidents to SRC's list for appropriate mailings.

(3) Add student editors and student council presidents to the mailing list, particularly for New South.

SRC's Role With Respect to Direct Action. -- It was reported that the Council is often approached by groups and organizations requesting the Council's participation in demonstrations and other direct action.

It has been the Council's policy to decline such invitations since SRC's charter does not allow for such action and the Council's tax-exempt status could very well be affected by it; moreover, the Council has a clearly defined role of a different sort. The director requested that the Committee review this policy.

The Committee concurred in the thinking which had directed this policy in the past and instructed the staff to continue to avoid any action which would jeopardize the work of the Council or its tax-exempt status, or that would be contrary to the Charter or By-Laws.

Consideration of Labor Consultant. -- Mr. Christopher reported that the AFL-CIO had available funds for a labor consultant to work in the South in the area of race relations. These funds have not been used since AFL-CIO has not been able to find a person acceptable to them. It was Mr. Christopher's opinion that if SRC could find a suitable labor consultant, the AFL-CIO might consider making available the funds to support such a program under the Council's direction.

The Committee instructed the staff to work with Mr. Christopher in pursuing this matter further.

Report on The Federal Executive and Civil Rights. -- The Executive Director reported that the document, The Federal Executive and Civil Rights, had been well received by the press and key individuals throughout the country. There were indications that the report was being given serious attention within the Administration. It was agreed that this document, and the follow-up work which was indicated, constituted a major program effort of the Council. Dr. Dunbar, SRC director of research, was commended for his role in the preparation of this document.

Other Business. -- The Executive Director pointed out that the state councils on human relations are

frequently overlooked when programs are being formulated. This, in the director's opinion, is regrettable since in some instances these local councils are the logical instruments for some of the programs considered by the staff and policy group. It was suggested that at a future meeting the functions of the state councils might be further explored.

The outgoing chairman, Dr. Clement, introduced the newly elected chairman, Mr. John H. Wheeler. Mr. Wheeler commented on the many contributions which Dr. Clement has made over a number of years to the Executive Committee and the Council. He stated that he felt the Committee will want to take some action, on behalf of the Council, in recognition of Dr. Clement's long service as chairman.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

RESOLUTION ON SRC's CHARTER AND TAX-EXEMPTION

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WHEREAS, pursuant to advice dated January 29, 1960 from the Chief of the Exempt Organizations Branch of the Internal Revenue Service, this corporation was advised "You will be expected in the future to conform your operations strictly with the 'operational tests' set forth in the regulations;" and

WHEREAS, pursuant to said "operational tests" an organization is not regarded as exempt if it is an "action" organization, which means that a substantial part of its activities is attempting to influence legislation, by propaganda or otherwise, either by contacting or urging the public to contact members of a legislative body for the purpose of proposing, supporting or opposing legislation, or advocating the adoption or rejection of legislation.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is stated to be the policy of this body that no officer, agent or employee of Southern Regional Council shall, in the course of its operations, either contact or urge the public to contact members of any legislative body for the purpose of proposing, supporting or opposing legislation, nor shall any such member advocate the adoption or rejection of any legislation;

RESOLVED: That counsel for the Southern Regional Council be directed, periodically, to scrutinize and evaluate the activities of members of the Staff so as to insure that such activities are consistent with the principles stated in this resolution and in the regulations defining the "operational tests" of the Internal Revenue Service;

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AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That no member of the staff or of the Southern Regional Council has the authority to speak for the Southern Regional Council in matters which are inhibited by the Internal Revenue Code.

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February 9, 1961

Mr. Harold C. Fleming, Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Sir:

An examination has been made of the books and records of the Southern Regional Council, Inc., Atlanta, Georgia for the period from January 1, 1960 to December 31, 1960.

The following Exhibits and Schedules, together with comments, are submitted herewith:

EXHIBIT A - Balance Sheet, December 31, 1960
EXHIBIT B - Statement of Receipts and Disbursements, General Operations
EXHIBIT C - Statement of Receipts and Disbursements, Research Department
EXHIBIT D - Statement of Receipts and Disbursements, Consultant Service Program
EXHIBIT E - Statement of Receipts and Disbursements, Registration and Voting Survey
EXHIBIT F - Statement of Receipts and Disbursements, Fellowship of the Concerned
EXHIBIT G - Statement of Receipts and Disbursements, Southern Leadership Project
EXHIBIT H - Statement of Receipts and Disbursements, Special Fund for Educational Projects
EXHIBIT I - Statement of Receipts and Disbursements, New Orleans Project
EXHIBIT J - Statement of Income and Expenses, General Operations
SCHEDULE 1- Reconciliation, Citizens Trust Company
SCHEDULE 2- Reconciliation, First National Bank
SCHEDULE 3- Schedule of Contributions Received, General Operations
SCHEDULE 4- Statement of Receipts and Disbursements, Aid to Independent State Councils on Human Relations
SCHEDULE 5- Accounts Payable
SCHEDULE 6- Accounts Receivable
SCHEDULE 7- Schedule of Investment in Securities

COMMENTS

Cash in Banks - Checking - $51,988.15

All recorded receipts were traced to bank deposits, and disbursements were compared with cancelled checks. Schedules

1 and 2 show the reconciliation of the two bank accounts with the books. Bank balances were confirmed by correspondence with the depositories.

Investment in Securities - $20,000.00

These are short term government securities held in safekeeping by the bank. This was confirmed by correspondence with the bank.

Investment in Securities - $108,755.75

This account represents common stock. The certificates were examined by us at the depository bank and are valued at market on December 31, 1960.

Due to Special Projects - $54,119.74

Exhibit A indicates the projects to which these amounts are due.

Advance Appropriations - $79,500.00

This represents advance appropriations for general operations in 1961 and 1962.

Operations

Exhibits B, C, D, E, F, G, H, and I, reflect the results of operations for the period from January 1, 1960 to December 31, 1960.

Exhibit J is a Statement of Income and Expenses of the general operations for the period from January 1, 1960 to December 31, 1960.

In our opinion, the attached Balance Sheet and Statements of Receipts and Disbursements present fairly the financial condition at December 31, 1960 and the results of operations for the period then ended.

Respectfully,

Daniel E. Harrison

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Registered Public Accountant

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

BALANCE SHEET

December 31, 1960

ASSETS

Funds toward future obligations, 1960-61:		
Cash in Bank - Checking	$ 51,988.15	
Investment in Securities (Market Value 12/31/60)	128,755.75	$180,743.90
Inventory, Pamphlets	$ 1,500.00	
Office Equipment	5,521.25	
Accounts Receivable	4,027.54	11,048.79
Total Assets		$191,792.69

LIABILITIES

Due to Special Projects, 1960-61:		
Research Department	$ 152.16	
Consultant Service Program	7,074.66	
Registration and Voting Survey	1,552.91	
Fellowship of the Concerned	318.78	
Southern Leadership Project	31,366.55	
Special Fund for Educational Projects	8,784.24	
New Orleans Project	4,870.44	$ 54,119.74
Special Grants-in-Aid to State Councils on Human Relations	$ 41,500.00	
Advance Appropriations, General Operations: 1961	38,000.00	
Reserve Fund	38,827.21	
Obligations Outstanding	6,955.44	125,282.65
Total Liabilities		$179,402.39
Excess of Assets over Liabilities		12,390.30
Total		$191,792.69

EXHIBIT A

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS - GENERAL OPERATIONS
January 1, 1960 to December 31, 1960

RECEIPTS

Contributions:			
Foundations	$ 84,900.00		
Bequest, Cash	23,600.00		
Labor & Other Organizations	3,785.00		
Churches	4,050.00		
Individuals	11,307.44	$127,642.44	
Interest Income		1,528.54	
Dividends on Securities		3,132.76	
NEW SOUTH Subscriptions		5,169.50	
Sale of Literature		997,50	
Associate Members' Dues		95.00	
Sale of Securities		20,000.00	
Total Receipts			$158,565.74
Balance, January 1, 1960			11,846.62
Total			$170,412.36

DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries		$ 71,393.92	
Social Security Taxes		2,193.28	
Travel		8,381.70	
Telephone and Telegraph		3,824.77	
Executive Committee and Annual Meetings		3,788.92	
Consultants' Fees		1,100.00	
Books and Subscriptions		277.35	
Office Supplies		1,663.33	
NEW SOUTH Postage		1,751.99	
NEW SOUTH Printing		5,321.28	
Postage		1,421.28	
Printing		2,986.22	
Rent		5,100.00	
Accounting		400.00	
Georgia Sales Tax		13.74	
Miscellaneous		1,388.77	
Grants-in-Aid to State Councils		32,595.23	
Group Hospitalization Insurance		327.84	
Group Term Life Insurance		436.92	
Liability Insurance		733.32	
Retirement Insurance		908.80	
Office Equipment		695.84	
Office Repairs and Maintenance		471.16	
Moving Expenses		6,340.11	
Accounts Payable, 1959		1,671.19	
Payroll Taxes, 1959		1,169.51	
Total Disbursements			$156,356.47
Balance, December 31, 1960	$ 11,859.49		
Add Inter-Departmental Transfers (Net)	2,196.40		14,055.89
Total			$170,412.36

EXHIBIT B

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS - SPECIAL PROJECTS
January 1, 1960 to December 31, 1960

RESEARCH DEPARTMENT

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1960		$ 28,821.54
Travel Refunds	$ 333.78	
Books & Subscriptions	45.40	379.18
Total Receipts		$ 29,200.72

DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries	$ 17,687.97	
Travel and Communication	936.25	
Printing	8,649.06	
Books & Subscriptions	1,266.60	
Office Supplies	1,045.25	
Consultants' Fees	2,208.00	
Consultants' Travel	817.97	
Total Disbursements		32,611.10
Excess of Disbursements over Receipts, December 31, 1960		(3,410.38)
Accounts Receivable 12/31/60		3,562.54
		$ 152.16

EXHIBIT C

CONSULTANT SERVICE PROGRAM

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1960	$ 15,653.15
Travel Refunds	232.17
Total Receipts	$ 15,885.32

DISBURSEMENTS

Consultants' Fees	$ 3,916.10	
Travel and Communication	4,887.56	
Program Materials	7.00	
Total Disbursements		8,810.66
Balance, December 31, 1960		$ 7,074.66

EXHIBIT D

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS - SPECIAL PROJECTS
January 1, 1960 to December 31, 1960

REGISTRATION AND VOTING SURVEY

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1960		$ 1,802.13

DISBURSEMENTS

Consultants' Fees	$ 180.00	
Travel and Communication	51.45	
Supplies	17.77	
Total Disbursements		249.22
Balance, December 31, 1960		$ 1,552.91

EXHIBIT E

FELLOWSHIP OF THE CONCERNED

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1960		$ 1,149.37
John Hay Whitney Foundation	$2,000.00	
Phelps-Stokes Fund	2,000.00	
Mrs. Katharine Cole	10.00	
Travel Refunds	29.81	4,039.81
Total Receipts		$ 5,189.18

DISBURSEMENTS

Travel for State and Annual Workshop	$4,773.78	
Program Materials	96.62	
Total Disbursements		4,870.40
Balance, December 31, 1960		$ 318.78

EXHIBIT F

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS - SPECIAL PROJECTS
January 1, 1960 to December 31, 1960

SOUTHERN LEADERSHIP PROJECT

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1960	$ 21,121.91
Rockefeller Brothers Fund	40,000.00
Total Receipts	$ 61,121.91

DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries	$ 7,543.46	
Travel and Communication	3,215.25	
Office Expense	1,478.86	
Printing and Distribution	6,578.63	
Consultants' Fees	4,809.00	
Consultants' Travel	2,130.16	
Overhead	4,000.00	
Total Disbursements		29,755.36
Balance, December 31, 1960		$ 31,366.55

EXHIBIT G

SPECIAL FUND FOR EDUCATIONAL PROJECTS

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1960	$ 5,701.53
New World Foundation	5,000.00
Total Receipts	$ 10,701.53

DISBURSEMENTS

Travel	$ 122.76	
Oberlin College	50.00	
Printing - United Church Women	37.60	
Printing - ACCA Pamphlet	400.00	
Reprinting - The Agony of the Southern Minister	234.12	
Printing - Nashville Community Relations Conference	267.67	
Reprinting - A Southern Point of View	128.75	
Printing - Atlanta Medical Assoc.	676.39	
Total Disbursements		1,917.29
Balance, October 31, 1960		$ 8,784.24

EXHIBIT H

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS - SPECIAL PROJECTS
August 1, 1960 to December 31, 1960

NEW ORLEANS PROJECT

RECEIPTS

Edgar Stern Family Fund		$ 19,500.00

DISBURSEMENTS

Printing, Promotion, Mailing, etc.	$ 13,191.78	
Travel and Communication	1,437.78	
Total Disbursements		14,629.56
Balance, December 31, 1960		$ 4,870.44

EXHIBIT I

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSES - GENERAL OPERATIONS
January 1, 1960 to December 31, 1960

INCOME

Contributions:		
Foundations	$ 98,400.00	
Labor & Other Organizations	3,785.00	
Churches	4,050.00	
Individuals	28,870.63	$135,105.63
Interest Income	1,528.54	
Dividends on Securities	3,132.76	
NEW SOUTH Subscriptions	5,587.50	
Sale of Literature	1,044.80	
Reserve Fund (Moving Expenses)	6,340.11	
Associate Members' Dues	95.00	
Overhead from project grants	4,000.00	21,728.71
Total Income		$156,834.34

EXPENSES

Salaries	$ 72,917.89	
Social Security Taxes	2,193.28	
Travel	9,096.37	
Telephone and Telegraph	4,259.45	
Executive Committee & Annual Meetings	3,860.92	
Consultant Fees	1,100.00	
Books and Subscriptions	309.89	
Office Supplies	1,803.63	
NEW SOUTH Postage	1,751.99	
NEW SOUTH Printing	5,822.06	
Postage	1,465.35	
Printing	2,986.22	
Rent	5,100.00	
Accounting	400.00	
Georgia Sales Tax	14.48	
Miscellaneous	1,431.00	
Grants-in-Aid to State Councils	32,595.23	
Group Hospitalization Insurance	327.84	
Group Term Life Insurance	436.92	
Liability Insurance	733.32	
Retirement Insurance	908.80	
Office Repairs and Maintenance	471.16	
Moving Expense	6,340.11	156,325.91
Excess of Income over Expenses		$ 508.43

EXHIBIT J

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

RECONCILIATION - CITIZENS TRUST COMPANY
December 31, 1960

Balance per bank				$53,619.14
Less checks outstanding:				
Number	Amount	Number	Amount	
2366	$ 49.02	2583	$ 131.84	
2368	99.56	2584	108.75	
2497	46.11	2585	125.82	
2501	127.59	2586	107.57	
2507	64.16	2587	96.61	
2514	1.22	2588	307.60	
2520	19.23	2589	119.27	
2570	111.26	2590	122.46	
2577	411.17	2591	278.94	
2578	233.30	2592	2.30	
2579	233.12	2593	50.00	
2580	234.96	2594	82.99	
2581	221.10	2595	85.01	
2582	160.03			$ 3,630.99
Balance per books, December 31, 1960				$49,988.15

SCHEDULE 1

RECONCILIATION - FIRST NATIONAL BANK
December 31, 1960

Balance per bank and books	$ 2,000.00

SCHEDULE 2

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC
Atlanta, Georgia

SCHEDULE OF CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED - GENERAL OPERATIONS
January 1, 1960 to December 31, 1960

CONTRIBUTIONS

Foundations:		
The Field Foundation	$ 25,000.00	
New York Foundation	5,000.00	
Taconic Foundation (Received 1960 for 1961)	25,000.00	
New World Foundation	20,000.00	
William C. Whitney Foundation	5,000.00	
Aaron E. Norman Fund	1,500.00	
Hopkins Charitable Fund	1,000.00	
Adele R. Levy Fund	1,000.00	
Marion R. Ascoli Fund	1,000.00	
Christopher Reynolds Foundation	400.00	
Total		$ 84,900.00
Labor and Other Organizations:		
United Steelworkers of America	$ 1,000.00	
American Federation of Labor and Congress of Industrial Organizations	1,500.00	
American Federation of Hosiery Workers Union	50.00	
Ohio-Kentucky Region-ILGWU	25.00	
United Hatters, Cap & Millinery Workers	100.00	
Philadelphia Dress Joint Bd. - International Union, ILGWU	50.00	
International Union - UAW	250.00	
Local 155 - ILGWU	100.00	
American Federation of Musicians	100.00	
Montreal Joint Board - ILGWU	25.00	
Upper South Dept. - ILGWU	50.00	
United Italian-American Labor Council, Inc.	150.00	
Cloak & Suit Operators Union, Local #117	25.00	
Mechanics & Farmers Bank, Durham, N.C.	100.00	
Afro-American Institute	250.00	
Unitarian Fellowship for Social Justice	10.00	
Total		$ 3,785.00

SCHEDULE OF CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED - GENERAL OPERATIONS
January 1, 1960 to December 31, 1960 (continued)

Churches:		
Woman's Division of Christian Service of the Board of Missions, Methodist Church	$ 1,200.00	
Board of National Missions of the Methodist Church	1,000.00	
Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the USA	1,000.00	
Board of National Missions of the Presbyterian Church,USA	250.00	
Board of Education of the Methodist Church	300.00	
Board of Christian Education, Presbyterian Church in the US	250.00	
The United Congregational Church of Bridgeport, Connecticut	25.00	
Woman's Society of Christian Service, North Carolina Conference	25.00	
Total		$ 4,050.00

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
AID TO INDEPENDENT STATE COUNCILS ON HUMAN RELATIONS
January 1, 1960 to December 31, 1960

RECEIPTS

Allocation from General Operating Funds	$ 32,595.23	
Field Foundation, Inc.	25,000.00	
Individual Donor (Received 1959 for 1960)	25,000.00	
Rockefeller Brothers Fund (for Arkansas)	8,000.00	
Taconic Foundation (Received 1960 for 1961)	25,000.00	
Individual Contributions	1,807.62	
Total Receipts		$117,402.85

DISBURSEMENTS

Grants-in-Aid from General Operating Funds:		
Alabama Council on Human Relations	$ 4,200.00	
Arkansas Council on Human Relations	3,500.00	
Florida Council on Human Relations	3,900.00	
Georgia Council on Human Relations	3,500.00	
Kentucky Council on Human Relations	1,125.00	
North Carolina Council on Human Relations	3,900.00	
South Carolina Council on Human Relations	3,900.00	
Tennessee Council on Human Relations	3,500.00	
Virginia Council on Human Relations	3,900.00	
State-aid Discretionary Fund	1,170.23	32,595.23
Individual Donor:		
Alabama Council on Human Relations	$ 3,000.00	
Arkansas Council on Human Relations	2,000.00	
Florida Council on Human Relations	2,500.00	
Georgia Council on Human Relations	1,500.00	
Kentucky Council on Human Relations	500.00	
North Carolina Council on Human Relations	3,000.00	
South Carolina Council on Human Relations	3,000.00	
Tennessee Council on Human Relations	2,500.00	
Virginia Council on Human Relations	3,000.00	21,000.00
Field Foundation:		
Alabama Council on Human Relations	$ 2,000.00	
Arkansas Council on Human Relations	1,300.00	
Florida Council on Human Relations	1,300.00	
Georgia Council on Human Relations	1,300.00	
Kentucky Council on Human Relations	500.00	
North Carolina Council on Human Relations	1,400.00	
South Carolina Council on Human Relations	1,400.00	
Tennessee Council on Human Relations	1,300.00	
Virginia Council on Human Relations	1,500.00	
Delta Foundation - Mississippi Field Work	500.00	12,500.00

Arkansas Council on Human Relations		
Rockefeller Brothers Fund		8,000.00
Individual Contributions:		
Alabama Council on Human Relations		
Arkansas Council on Human Relations		
Florida Council on Human Relations		
Georgia Council on Human Relations		
North Carolina Council on Human Relations		1,807.62
Total Disbursements		$ 75,902.85
Total Receipts	$117,402.85	
Less: Total Disbursements	75,902.85	
	$ 41,500.00	

Reserve for Georgia Council, 1961	$ 3,000.00
Discretionary Fund, 1961	1,000.00
Taconic Foundation, 1961	25,000.00
Field Foundation, 1961	12,500.00
	$ 41,500.00

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

SCHEDULE OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE
December 31, 1960

Paschal's Restaurant	$ 42.23
T. M. Alexander, Jr.	5.20
Atlanta University	72.00
The Western Union Telegraph Company	3.76
Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company	598.95
Eastern Air Lines, Inc.	918.62
Avis Rent-A-Car System	33.97
Pitney-Bowes, Inc.	44.07
Beavers Letter Service, Inc.	5.15
Higgins-McArthur Company	481.20
Seaboard Air Line Railroad Company	188.60
Southern Railway Company	7.94
Longino & Porter, Inc.	211.15
League of Women Voters	15.00
Burrelle's Press Clipping Bureau	26.30
Eastman Kodak Stores, Inc.	65.56
Office Supply Company	47.07
Greshon Office Supply Company	15.80
Elliott Addressing Machine Company	19.58
The Mimeograph Company	11.87
Harcourt, Brace and Company, Inc.	6.24
The Free Press of Glencoe, Illinois	7.80
Thermo-Fax Sales	2.78
Fitzgerald Advertising Agency	2,599.89
Total Accounts Payable	$5,430.73

Distribution:

Travel	$ 714.67
Telephone and Telegraph	434.68
Office Supplies	140.30
Postage	44.07
New South Printing	500.78
Executive Committee and Annual Meetings	72.00
Books and Subscriptions	32.54
Miscellaneous Expense	42.23
Research Department	39.77
Consultant Service Program	139.96
Fellowship of the Concerned	5.15
Southern Leadership Project	446.12
New Orleans Project	2,818.46
	$ 5,430.73

SCHEDULE 5

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

SCHEDULE OF ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE
December 31, 1960

Georgia Conference on Education Opportunities	$ 3,562.54
Virginia Council on Human Relations	418.00
Board of Christian Education Presbyterian Church	6.00
Anti-Defamation League	26.50
Florida State University	6.00
Mr. John V. Long	3.50
Jewish Labor Committee	5.00
Total Accounts Receivable	$ 4,027.54

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENT IN SECURITIES
December 31, 1960

Stock	Value at Date of Acquisition		Market Value December 31, 1960	
Gulf Oil	780 @ $126	$ 98,280.00	2482 @ 33-3/8	$ 82,836.75
Dun & Bradstreet	200 @ 44¼	8,850.00	400 @ 41-1/2	16,600.00
Sunray Mid-Cont.	160 @ 23½	3,760.00	160 @ 23-5/8	3,780.00
Tidewater Oil	120 @ 24-7/8	2,985.00	132 @ 20-3/4	2,739.00
Texas Gulf Prod.	100 @ 32-3/8	3,237.00	100 @ 28	2,800.00
Federal Land Banks 4% Bonds dated 11/3/58, due 9/20/61		20,000.00		20,000.00
Total		$137,112.00		$128,755.75

SCHEDULE 7

THE FIELD FOUNDATION, INC.
250 PARK AVENUE
NEW YORK 17

April 18, 1961

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar, Executive Director
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Dunbar:

The Field Foundation is pleased to send the Southern Regional Council the enclosed check for $50,000 representing payment in full of a grant for a two-year extension of the Foundation's assistance to the state councils on human relations in the South. The board has adopted the following resolution:

> RESOLVED that the Corporation appropriate and contribute to the Southern Regional Council, Inc., Atlanta, Georgia, the sum of $50,000, or as much thereof as shall be needed, for aid to state councils on human relations in the South for the twenty-four month period beginning May 1, 1961, to be paid in full in April, 1961.

Please acknowledge receipt of the enclosed check, and state your acceptance of the terms of the grant.

You will understand, I am sure, that there is no implied commitment that this grant will be extended upon its termination in 1963.

I take this opportunity, also, to extend to you the best wishes of the officers, directors and staff of the Field Foundation, and to wish you well in your new position with the Southern Regional Council.

Sincerely,

Maxwell Hahn
Executive Vice President

Enclosure

THE FIELD FOUNDATION, INC.
250 PARK AVENUE
NEW YORK 17

April 28, 1961

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director Elect
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Dunbar:

You will find enclosed the Field Foundation's check in the amount of $37,500, payable to the order of the Southern Regional Council. This check represents final payment on the $75,000 award voted by our board of directors on December 9, 1959, and covers the eighteen-month period beginning July 1, 1961. We trust you will find it helpful to receive the Foundation's check combining the payments scheduled for July, 1961, January, 1962 and July, 1962, at this earlier date.

May we have your acknowledgment?

Sincerely,

Maxwell Hahn

Maxwell Hahn
Executive Vice President

Enclosure

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June 5, 1961

Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith, Inc.
270 Peachtree Street, N. E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Gentlemen:

According to the records of the Southern Regional Council, Inc., on April 30, 1961, you had sold securities prior to that date in the amount of $109,490.65. On April 10 and 13, the Council received checks totalling $7,366.02, leaving a balance due of $102,124.63 which we received on May 4, 1961.

Our Auditor, Mr. Daniel E. Harrison, 868 York Street, S. W., Room 104, Atlanta 10, Georgia, is doing an audit for the Council and needs a confirmation from your firm at your earliest convenience as to the amount due the Southern Regional Council on April 30, 1961. Also, please confirm receipt of number of shares of Dun and Bradstreet Stock that you are now holding for future sale.

Enclosed is a self-addressed stamped envelope for your convenience.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Ruth House Alexander
Secretary-Treasurer

RHA/hs
Enclosure

June 6, 1961

Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Gentlemen:

An examination has been made of the books and records of the Southern Regional Council, Inc., Atlanta, Georgia for the period from January 1, 1961 to April 30, 1961.

The following Exhibits and Schedules, together with comments, are submitted herewith:

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EXHIBIT B - Statement of Receipts and Disbursements, General Operations
EXHIBIT C - Statement of Receipts and Disbursements, Research Department
EXHIBIT D - Statement of Receipts and Disbursements, Consultant Service Program
EXHIBIT E - Statement of Receipts and Disbursements, Registration and Voting Survey
EXHIBIT F - Statement of Receipts and Disbursements, Fellowship of the Concerned
EXHIBIT G - Statement of Receipts and Disbursements, Southern Leadership Project
EXHIBIT H - Statement of Receipts and Disbursements, Special Fund for Educational Projects
EXHIBIT I - Statement of Receipts and Disbursements, New Orleans Project
EXHIBIT J - Statement of Income and Expenses, General Operations
SCHEDULE 1 - Reconciliation, Citizens Trust Company
SCHEDULE 2 - Reconciliation, First National Bank
SCHEDULE 3 - Schedule of Contributions Received, General Operations
SCHEDULE 4 - Statement of Receipts and Disbursements, Aid to Independent State Councils on Human Relations
SCHEDULE 5 - Accounts Payable
SCHEDULE 6 - Accounts Receivable
SCHEDULE 7 - Schedule of Investment in Securities

COMMENTS

Cash in Banks - Checking - $55,528.71

All recorded receipts were traced to bank deposits, and disbursements were compared with cancelled checks. Schedules 1 and 2 show the reconciliation of the two bank accounts with the books. Bank balances were confirmed by correspondence with the depositories.

Investment in Securities - $20,000.00

These are short term government securities held in safekeeping by the bank. This was confirmed by correspondence with the bank.

Investment in Securities - $20,100.00

This account represents common stock. The Certificates were examined by us at the depositary bank and are valued at market on April 30, 1961.

Accounts Receivable - Sale of Stock - $102,124.63

This amount was confirmed by correspondence with the brokerage firm and collection was made in May 1961.

Due to Special Projects - $36,459.97

Exhibit A indicates the projects to which these amounts are due.

Advance Appropriations - $96,919.41

This represents advance appropriations for general operations in 1961 and 1962.

Operations

Exhibits B, C, D, E, F, G, H, and I, reflect the results of operations for the period from January 1, 1961 to April 30, 1961.

Exhibit J is a Statement of Income and Expenses of general operations for the period from January 1, 1961 to April 30, 1961.

In our opinion, the attached Balance Sheet and Statement of Receipts and Disbursements present fairly the financial condition at April 30, 1961 and the results of operations for the period then ended.

Respectfully,

Daniel E. Harrison

Daniel E. Harrison
Registered Public Accountant

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

BALANCE SHEET

April 30, 1961

ASSETS

Funds toward future obligations, 1961-62:			
Cash in Bank - Checking		$ 55,528.71	
Investment in Securities (Market Value 4/30/61)	$ 40,100.00		
Accounts Receivable - Sale of Stock	102,124.63	142,224.63	$197,753.34
Inventory, Pamphlets		$ 1,500.00	
Office Equipment		7,050.58	
Accounts Receivable - Trade		812.54	9,363.12
Total Assets			$207,116.46

LIABILITIES

Due to Special Projects, 1961-62:			
Consultant Service Program		$ 3,693.40	
Registration and Voting Survey		1,552.91	
Fellowship of the Concerned		1,261.83	
Southern Leadership Project		21,385.52	
Special Fund for Educational Projects		8,457.08	
New Orleans Project		109.23	$ 36,459.97
Special Grants-in-Aid to State Councils on Human Relations		$ 71,919.41	
Advance Appropriations, General Operations: 1961		25,000.00	
Reserve Fund	$ 52,183.46		
Less Research Department unbudgeted funds	6,123.50	46,059.96	
Obligations Outstanding		4,352.72	147,332.09
Total Liabilities			$183,792.06
Excess of Assets over Liabilities			23,324.40
Total			$207,116.46

EXHIBIT A

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS - GENERAL OPERATIONS
January 1, 1961 to April 30, 1961

RECEIPTS

Contributions:			
Foundations	$ 21,750.00		
Bequest, Cash	5,000.00		
Labor and Other Organizations	1,295.00		
Churches	500.00		
Individuals	238.00	$ 28,783.00	
Interest Income		400.00	
Dividends on Securities		788.30	
NEW SOUTH Subscriptions		2,205.53	
Sale of Literature		408.66	
Associate Members' Dues		38.00	
Sale of Securities		7,366.02	
Total Receipts			$ 39,989.51
Balance, January 1, 1961			11,859.49
Total			$ 51,849.00

DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries		$ 25,582.23	
Social Security Taxes		869.12	
Travel		1,494.82	
Telephone and Telegraph		1,137.65	
Executive Committee and Annual Meetings		1,486.96	
Consultants' Fees		180.00	
Books and Subscriptions		120.51	
Office Supplies		1,190.67	
NEW SOUTH Postage		536.98	
NEW SOUTH Printing		1,849.09	
Postage		537.34	
Printing		2,397.14	
Rent		2,400.00	
Accounting		490.00	
Georgia Sales Tax		1.93	
Miscellaneous		245.60	
Group Hospitalization Insurance		182.06	
Group Term Life Insurance		239.78	
Liability and other Insurance		149.02	
Retirement Insurance		521.42	
Office Equipment		1,529.33	
Accounts Payable, 1960		1,981.27	
Payroll Taxes, 1960		1,524.71	
Total Disbursements			$ 46,647.63
Balance, April 30, 1961	$ 7,064.00		
Add Inter-Departmental Transfers (Net)	(1,862.63)		5,201.37
Total			$ 51,849.00

EXHIBIT B

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS - SPECIAL PROJECTS
January 1, 1961 to April 30, 1961

RESEARCH DEPARTMENT

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1961		$ (3,410.38)
Georgia Conference on Education Opportunities		2,750.00
Total Receipts		$ (660.38)

DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries	$ 4,788.43	
Travel and Communication	271.17	
Books and Subscriptions	318.68	
Office Supplies	2.78	
Consultant Fee (Typing)	34.00	
Printing	48.06	
Total Disbursements		5,463.12
Excess of Disbursements over Receipts		$ (6,123.50)

EXHIBIT C

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CONSULTANT SERVICE PROGRAM

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1961		$ 7,074.66

DISBURSEMENTS

Consultant Fees	$ 1,140.00	
Travel and Communication	2,241.26	
Total Disbursements		3,381.26
Balance, April 30, 1961		$ 3,693.40

EXHIBIT D

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS - SPECIAL PROJECTS
January 1, 1961 to April 30, 1961

REGISTRATION AND VOTING SURVEY

Balance, January 1, 1961	$ 1,552.91

EXHIBIT E

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FELLOWSHIP OF THE CONCERNED

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1961	$ 318.78
Phelps-Stokes Fund	1,000.00
Total Receipts	$ 1,318.78

DISBURSEMENTS

Materials	56.95
Balance, April 30, 1961	$ 1,261.83

EXHIBIT F

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SOUTHERN LEADERSHIP PROJECT

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1961	$31,366.55

DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries	$ 3,083.32	
Travel and Communication	1,371.09	
Office Expense	578.62	
Consultants' Fees	1,900.00	
Consultants' Travel and Communication	1,134.91	
Printing and Distribution	1,913.09	
Total Disbursements		9,981.03
Balance, April 30, 1961		$21,385.52

EXHIBIT G

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS - SPECIAL PROJECTS
January 1, 1961 to April 30, 1961

SPECIAL FUND FOR EDUCATIONAL PROJECTS

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1961		$ 8,784.24

DISBURSEMENTS

United Church Women, Georgia	$ 127.16	
United Church Women, Florida	200.00	
Total Disbursements		327.16
Balance, April 30, 1961		$ 8,457.08

EXHIBIT H

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NEW ORLEANS PROJECT

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1961	$ 4,870.44
Edgar Stern Family Fund	2,000.00
Total Receipts	$ 6,870.44

DISBURSEMENTS

Printing, Promotion, Mailing, etc.	$ 6,258.14	
Travel and Communication	503.07	
Total Disbursements		6,761.21
Balance, April 30, 1961		$ 109.23

EXHIBIT I

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSES - GENERAL OPERATIONS
January 1, 1961 to April 30, 1961

INCOME

Contributions:		
Foundations	$ 34,750.00	
Labor and Other Organizations	1,295.00	
Churches	500.00	
Individuals	238.00	$ 36,783.00
Interest Income	400.00	
Dividends on Securities	788.30	
NEW SOUTH Subscriptions	1,787.53	
Sale of Literature	361.66	
Associate Members' Dues	38.00	
Gain on Sale of Securities	1,228.65	4,604.14
Total Income		$ 41,387.14

EXPENSES

Salaries	$ 27,277.86	
Social Security Taxes	869.12	
Travel	2,000.44	
Telephone and Telegraph	1,537.39	
Executive Committee and Annual Meetings	1,592.84	
Consultant Fees	180.00	
Books and Subscriptions	120.51	
Office Supplies	1,298.54	
NEW SOUTH Postage	536.98	
NEW SOUTH Printing	2,561.85	
Postage	537.34	
Printing	2,527.46	
Rent	2,400.00	
Accounting	490.00	
Georgia Sales Tax	3.12	
Miscellaneous	321.20	
Group Hospitalization Insurance	182.06	
Group Term Life Insurance	239.78	
Liability and other Insurance	149.02	
Retirement Insurance	521.42	45,346.93
Excess of Expenses over Income		$ (3,959.79)

EXHIBIT J

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

RECONCILIATION - CITIZENS TRUST COMPANY
April 30, 1961

Balance per bank $ 59,839.94

Less checks outstanding:

NUMBER	AMOUNT	NUMBER	AMOUNT	
2366	$ 49.02	3134	$ 269.56	
2514	1.22	3135	222.47	
2851	54.68	3136	213.25	
2993	15.00	3137	226.71	
3003	57.41	3138	207.87	
3018	27.08	3139	149.03	
3026	25.00	3141	134.36	
3032	75.00	3142	120.42	
3035	335.36	3143	113.91	
3108	2.00	3144	121.82	
3111	94.80	3145	106.87	
3124	58.67	3146	102.94	
3125	1,791.87	3147	97.25	
3126	250.41	3050	335.36	
3127	36.22	3051	37.60	
3130	31.37	3052	7.27	
3133	327.91	3053	300.00	
		3054	311.52	6,311.23

Balance per books, April 30, 1961 $ 53,528.71

SCHEDULE 1

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RECONCILIATION - FIRST NATIONAL BANK
April 30, 1961

Balance per bank and books $ 2,000.00

SCHEDULE 2

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

SCHEDULE OF CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED - GENERAL OPERATIONS
January 1, 1961 to April 30, 1961

CONTRIBUTIONS

Foundations:		
The Field Foundation	$ 12,500.00	
The Ottinger Foundation	2,000.00	
Marion R. Ascoli Fund	1,000.00	
Adele R. Levy Fund	1,000.00	
New York Foundation	1,250.00	
Aaron E. Norman Fund	1,500.00	
Hopkins Charitable Fund	2,500.00	
Total		$ 21,750.00
Labor and Other Organizations:		
Consolidated Charities, LeMoyne College	$ 20.00	
Industrial Union Department, AFL-CIO	500.00	
American Newspaper Guild	25.00	
U. S. South African Leader Exchange Program	250.00	
International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union	500.00	
Total		$ 1,295.00
Churches:		
Board of National Missions of the Methodist Church	$ 250.00	
Board of National Missions of the United Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A.	250.00	
Total		$ 500.00

SCHEDULE 3

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
AID TO INDEPENDENT STATE COUNCILS ON HUMAN RELATIONS
January 1, 1961 to April 30, 1961

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1961	$ 41,500.00
Field Foundation, Inc. - 1961-62	50,000.00
Total Receipts	$ 91,500.00

DISBURSEMENTS

Alabama Council on Human Relations	$ 1,462.50	
Arkansas Council on Human Relations	1,600.00	
Florida Council on Human Relations	1,700.00	
Georgia Council on Human Relations	4,750.00	
Houston (Texas) Council on Human Relations	1,500.00	
Kentucky Council on Human Relations	375.00	
North Carolina Council on Human Relations	1,800.00	
South Carolina Council on Human Relations	1,850.00	
Tennessee Council on Human Relations	1,750.00	
Virginia Council on Human Relations	1,950.00	
State Aid Discretionary Fund	843.09	
Total Disbursements		19,580.59
Balance, April 30, 1961		$ 71,919.41

SCHEDULE 4

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

SCHEDULE OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE
April 30, 1961

Herren's Restaurant	$ 44.77
Northside Delicatessen	57.68
Murray's Fine Flowers	6.18
Eastern Air Lines, Inc.	686.66
Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company	510.07
Avis Rent-A-Car System	45.95
Beacon Press	4.10
Association Press	2.64
The Journal of Education Sociology	.50
The Diners' Club, Inc.	2.76
Higgins McArthur Printing Company	1,053.27
Eastman Kodak Stores, Inc.	41.20
Ivan Allen Company	55.11
Office Supply Company	16.33
Thermo-Fax Sales	52.02
Industrial Paper Corporation	15.92
Mimeograph Company	27.51
Burrelle's Press Clipping Bureau	26.00
The Western Union Telegraph Company	7.23
Total Accounts Payable	$2,655.90

Distribution:

Travel	$ 505.62
Telephone and Telegraph	399.74
Office Supplies	107.87
Printing	130.32
NEW SOUTH Printing	712.76
Executive Committee Meetings	105.88
Miscellaneous Expenses	75.60
Research Department	85.26
Consultant Service Program	175.42
Southern Leadership Project	357.43
Total	$ 2,655.90

SCHEDULE 5

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SCHEDULE OF ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLES
April 30, 1961

Georgia Conference on Education Opportunities	$ 812.54

SCHEDULE 6

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENT IN SECURITIES
April 30, 1961

STOCK		VALUE AT DATE OF ACQUISITION		MARKET VALUE APRIL 30, 1961
Dun & Bradstreet	200 @ 44-1/4	$ 8,850.00	400 @ 50-1/4	$20,100.00
Federal Land Banks 4% Bonds dated 11/3/58, due 9/20/61		20,000.00		20,000.00
Total		$28,850.00		$40,100.00

July 19, 1961

Mr. Daniel E. Harrison
868 York Street, S. W.
Atlanta 10, Georgia

Dear Mr. Harrison:

Mr. Paul Anthony, Executive Assistant of Southern Regional Council, Inc., has instructed us to give you the credit we held for their account with us for the period ending June 30, 1961.

Our records showed a credit balance of $21,891.24 and no security position for the above period.

We trust this information is satisfactory.

Yours very truly,

MERRILL LYNCH, PIERCE, FENNER & SMITH

By Robert L. Matthews
Operations Manager

RLM/mg

Copy: Southern Regional Council, Inc.
ATTN: Mr. Paul Anthony
Room 201, 5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

DANIEL E. HARRISON
REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT
ROOM 104, 868 YORK AVENUE, S. W.
ATLANTA 10, GEORGIA

TELEPHONE
PLAZA 5-6333

July 19, 1961

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar, Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Sir:

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SCHEDULE 1 - Reconciliation, Citizens Trust Company
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SCHEDULE 5 - Accounts Payable
SCHEDULE 6 - Accounts Receivable

COMMENTS

Cash in Banks - Checking - $96,840.39

All recorded receipts were traced to bank deposits, and disbursements were compared with cancelled checks. Schedules 1 and 2 show the reconciliation of the two bank accounts with the books. Bank balances were confirmed by correspondence with the depositaries.

Trust Fund - $60,000.00

This represents the amount of the Reserve Fund which has been placed in trust with the Trust Company of Georgia being named Trustee.

Investment in Securities and held for that purpose - $80,000.00

The Citizens Trust Company is holding $20,000.00 in short term government securities and $60,000.00 in cash for purchase of government securities when a favorable market permits.

Accounts Receivable - Sale of Securities - $21,891.24

This amount was confirmed by correspondence with the brokerage firm and collection was made on July 10, 1961.

Due to Special Projects - $34,930.61

Exhibit A indicates the projects to which these amounts are due.

Advance Appropriations - $90,139.15

This represents advance appropriations for general operations in 1961 and 1962.

Operations

Exhibits B, C, D, E, F, G, H, and I, reflect the results of operations for the period from January 1, 1961 to June 30, 1961.

Exhibit J is a Statement of Income and Expenses of the general operations for the period from January 1, 1961 to June 30, 1961.

In our opinion, the attached Balance Sheet and Statements of Receipts and Disbursements present fairly the financial condition at June 30, 1961 and the results of operations for the period then ended.

Respectfully,

Daniel E. Harrison

Daniel E. Harrison
Registered Public Accountant

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

BALANCE SHEET

June 30, 1961

ASSETS

Funds toward future obligations, 1961-62:		
Cash in Bank - Checking	$ 96,840.39	
Investment in Securities	80,000.00	
Trust Fund	60,000.00	
Accounts Receivable - Sale of Stock	21,891.24	$258,731.63
Inventory, Pamphlets	$ 1,500.00	
Office Equipment	8,155.27	
Accounts Receivable	856.54	10,511.81
Total Assets		$269,243.44

LIABILITIES

Due to Special Projects, 1961-62:		
Consultant Service Program	$ 1,890.91	
Registration and Voting Survey	1,552.91	
Fellowship of the Concerned	2,235.48	
Southern Leadership Project	16,709.00	
Special Fund for Educational Projects	8,457.08	
New Orleans Project	85.23	
Southern History Project	4,000.00	$ 34,930.61
Special Grants-in-Aid to State Councils on Human Relations	$ 65,139.15	
Advance Appropriations, General Operations	25,000.00	
Reserve for Trust Fund	60,000.00	
Obligations outstanding	5,771.37	155,910.52
Total Liabilities		$190,841.13
Excess of Assets over Liabilities		78,402.31
Total		$269,243.44

EXHIBIT A

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS - GENERAL OPERATIONS
January 1, 1961 to June 30, 1961

RECEIPTS

Contributions:			
Foundations	$110,500.00		
Bequest, Cash	5,000.00		
Labor & Other Organizations	4,045.00		
Churches	2,125.00		
Individuals	289.00	$121,959.00	
Interest Income		400.00	
Dividends on Securities		888.30	
NEW SOUTH Subscriptions		3,361.53	
Sale of Literature		640.21	
Associate Members' Dues		38.00	
Sale of Securities		109,490.65	
Total Receipts			$236,777.69
Balance, January 1, 1961			11,859.49
Total			$248,637.18

DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries		$ 45,219.49	
Social Security Taxes		1,378.60	
Travel		3,336.74	
Telephone and Telegraph		1,932.94	
Executive Committee and Annual Meetings		1,595.45	
Consultants' Fees		2,124.00	
Books and Subscriptions		732.51	
Office Supplies		1,529.70	
NEW SOUTH Postage		681.98	
NEW SOUTH Printing		3,043.05	
Postage		733.70	
Printing		3,224.01	
Rent		3,600.00	
Accounting		740.00	
Georgia Sales Tax		3.52	
Miscellaneous		522.99	
Group Hospitalization Insurance		177.47	
Group Term Life Insurance		239.78	
Liability and Fire Insurance		170.17	
Retirement Insurance		723.20	
Office Equipment		1,529.33	
Accounts Payable, 1960		1,981.27	
Payroll Taxes, 1960		1,524.71	
Transfer to Trust Fund		60,000.00	
Bank for purchase of securities		60,000.00	
Total Disbursements			$196,744.61
Balance, June 30, 1961	$ 73,444.89		
Deduct: Inter-Departmental Transfers (Net)	(21,552.32)		51,892.57
Total			$248,637.18

EXHIBIT B

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS - SPECIAL PROJECTS
January 1, 1961 to June 30, 1961

CONSULTANT SERVICE PROGRAM

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1961		$ 7,074.66
Travel Refunds		1.20
Total Receipts		$ 7,075.86

DISBURSEMENTS

Consultants' Fees	$ 2,320.00	
Travel and Communication	2,818.64	
Total Disbursements		5,138.64
Balance, June 30, 1961		$ 1,937.22

EXHIBIT C

REGISTRATION AND VOTING SURVEY

Balance, January 1, 1961	$ 1,552.91

EXHIBIT D

FELLOWSHIP OF THE CONCERNED

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1961		$ 318.78
John Hay Whitney Foundation		1,000.00
Phelps-Stokes Fund		1,000.00
Total Receipts		$ 2,318.78

DISBURSEMENTS

Travel	$ 63.20	
Program Materials	20.10	
Total Disbursements		83,30
Balance, June 30, 1961		$ 2,235.48

EXHIBIT E

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS - SPECIAL PROJECTS
January 1, 1961 to June 30, 1961

SOUTHERN LEADERSHIP PROJECT

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1961		$ 31,366.55

DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries	$ 4,749.96	
Travel and Communication	2,188.99	
Office Expense	778.62	
Printing and Distribution	2,303.28	
Consultants' Fees	2,850.00	
Consultants' Travel	1,616.03	
Total Disbursements		14,486.88
Balance, June 30, 1961		$ 16,879.67

EXHIBIT F

SPECIAL FUND FOR EDUCATIONAL PROJECTS

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1961		$ 8,784.24

DISBURSEMENTS

United Church Women - Georgia	$ 127.16	
United Church Women - Florida	200.00	
Total Disbursements		327.16
Balance, June 30, 1961		$ 8,457.08

EXHIBIT G

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS - SPECIAL PROJECTS
January 1, 1961 to June 30, 1961

NEW ORLEANS PROJECT

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1961	$ 4,870.44
Edgar Stern Family Fund	2,000.00
Total Receipts	$ 6,870.44

DISBURSEMENTS

Printing, Promotion, Mailing, etc.	$ 6,258.14	
Travel and Communication	527.07	
Total Disbursements		6,785.21
Balance, June 30, 1961		$ 85.23

EXHIBIT H

SOUTHERN HISTORY PROJECT

RECEIPTS

The Field Foundation	$ 4,000.00

EXHIBIT I

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSES - GENERAL OPERATIONS
January 1, 1961 to June 30, 1961

INCOME

Contributions:		
Foundations	$123,500.00	
Labor & Other Organizations	1,451.39	
Churches	2,125.00	
Individuals	289.00	$127,365.39
Interest Income	400.00	
Dividends on Securities	888.30	
NEW SOUTH Subscriptions	2,943.53	
Sale of Literature	593.21	
Associate Members' Dues	38.00	
Gain on Sale of Securities	14, 269.89	19,132.93
Total Income		$146,498.32

EXPENSES

Salaries	$ 46,987.45	
Social Security Taxes	1,384.37	
Travel	4,607.66	
Telephone and Telegraph	2,322.85	
Executive Committee & Annual Meetings	1,595.45	
Consultants' Fees	2,124.00	
Books and Subscriptions	767.80	
Office Supplies	1,763.52	
NEW SOUTH Postage	681.98	
NEW SOUTH Printing	3,524.25	
Postage	784.99	
Printing	3,324.13	
Rent	3,600.00	
Accounting	740.00	
Georgia Sales Tax	4.88	
Miscellaneous	558.00	
Group Hospitalization Insurance	177.47	
Group Term Life Insurance	239.78	
Liability and Fire Insurance	207.45	
Retirement Insurance	723.20	76,119.23
Excess of Income over Expenses		$ 70,379.09

EXHIBIT J

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

RECONCILIATION - CITIZENS TRUST COMPANY
June 30, 1961

Balance per bank				$159,337.59
Less checks outstanding:				
Number	Amount	Number	Amount	
2366	$ 49.02	3302	$ 218.87	
2514	1.22	3303	128.91	
3242	335.36	3304	124.42	
3252	21.60	3305	113.91	
3263	195.45	3306	125.82	
3274	20.17	3307	110.87	
3275	121.63	3308	109.49	
3276	15.00	3309	97.25	
3280	3.64	3310	115.91	
3281	40.00	3312	75.71	
3286	60,000.00	3313	86.61	
3290	30.00	3314	37.61	
3294	335.36	3315	251.72	
3295	341.78	3316	525.08	
3297	280.56	3317	133.27	
3298	224.25			
3301	226.71			64,497.20
Balance per books, June 30, 1961				$ 94,840.39

SCHEDULE 1

RECONCILIATION - FIRST NATIONAL BANK
June 30, 1961

Balance per bank and books	$ 2,000.00

SCHEDULE 2

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

SCHEDULE OF CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED - GENERAL OPERATIONS
January 1, 1961 to June 30, 1961

CONTRIBUTIONS

Foundations:		
The Field Foundation	$ 50,000.00	
The Rockefeller Foundation	50,000.00	
Hopkins Charitable Fund	2,500.00	
New York Foundation	2,500.00	
The Ottinger Foundation	2,000.00	
Aaron E. Norman Fund	1,500.00	
Marion R. Ascoli Fund	1,000.00	
Adele R. Levy Fund	1,000.00	
Total		$110,500.00
Labor and Other Organizations:		
Industrial Union Department, AFL-CIO	$ 500.00	
International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union	500.00	
U. S. South African Leader Exchange	250.00	
American Newspaper Guild	25.00	
Consolidated Charities, LeMoyne College	20.00	
Total		$ 1,295.00
Churches:		
Woman's Division of Christian Service of the Methodist Church	$ 1,200.00	
Division of National Missions of the Board of Missions of the Methodist Church	500.00	
Board of National Missions of the United Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A.	250.00	
Board of Education of the Methodist Church	150.00	
Woman's Society of Christian Service, North Carolina Conference	25.00	
Total		$ 2,125.00

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
AID TO INDEPENDENT STATE COUNCILS ON HUMAN RELATIONS
January 1, 1961 to June 30, 1961

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1961	$ 41,500.00
Field Foundation, Inc., 1961-62	50,000.00
Total Receipts	$ 91,500.00

DISBURSEMENTS

Alabama Council on Human Relations	$ 1,462.50	
Arkansas Council on Human Relations	1,600.00	
Florida Council on Human Relations	1,700.00	
Georgia Council on Human Relations	4,750.00	
Houston (Texas) Council on Human Relations	1,500.00	
Kentucky Council on Human Relations	375.00	
North Carolina Council on Human Relations	3,900.00	
South Carolina Council on Human Relations	3,015.61	
Tennessee Council on Human Relations	1,750.00	
Virginia Council on Human Relations	5,325.00	
State Aid Discretionary Fund	982.74	
Total Disbursements		26,360.85
Balance, June 30, 1961		$ 65,139.15

SCHEDULE 4

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

SCHEDULE OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE
June 30, 1961

Haas & Dodd	$ 37.28
Railway Express Agency, Inc.	7.22
Herren's Restaurant	14.56
Office Supply Company	24.94
The Diners' Club, Inc.	178.78
Higgins-McArthur Company	581.32
Hill's Church & Office Supplies	9.47
Miller's Book & Office Supply Company	2.84
Burrelle's Press Clipping Bureau	32.45
Colonial Film & Equipment Company	12.36
The Mimeograph Company	85.94
Claxton Printing Company	17.68
Phillips-Browne Sign Company	15.45
The Western Union Telegraph Company	17.13
Rich's Inc.	87.39
Thermo-Fax Sales	80.34
Matthews Drivurself Service, Inc.	12.85
Pitney-Bowes, Inc.	44.07
Leb's	8.09
The Hertz Corporation	28.34
Ivan Allen Company	499.55
Avis Rent-A-Car System	36.02
IBM	517.75
Southern Bell Telephone & Telegraph Company	505.72
Eastern Air Lines, Inc.	1,138.74
Total Accounts Payable	$ 3,996.28

DISTRIBUTION:

Postage	$ 51.29
Telephone & Telegraph	389.91
Travel	1,310.69
Office Equipment	1,104.69
Office Supplies	233.82
Books & Subscriptions	35.29
Miscellaneous Expense	35.01
Insurance	37.28
Printing	100.12
NEW SOUTH Printing	481.20
Consultant Service Program	46.31
Southern Leadership Project	170.67
	$ 3,996.28

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

SCHEDULE OF ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE
June 30, 1961

Georgia Conference on Education Opportunities	$ 812.54
Los Angeles Commission on Human Relations	20.00
Rhode Island Commission Against Discrimination	24.00
Total Accounts Receivable	$ 856.54

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

November 8-9, 1961
Atlanta, Georgia

The Annual Meeting of the Southern Regional Council began on November 8, 1961 with an informal luncheon at 12:30 p.m. in the Atlanta University Dining Hall, Vice President Albert W. Dent presiding.

A list of Members attending the Annual Meeting is attached. All members of the professional staff were present, with Mrs. Muriel Berger serving as recording secretary. Other members of the SRC staff attended various sessions of the meeting as time and office duties allowed.

The business session began at 2:00 p.m. in the Atlanta University Student Dining Hall, President James McBride Dabbs presiding.

The report of the Executive Committee to the Council was given by the Committee Chairman, Mr. John H. Wheeler. Following the report and a discussion of it, it was moved, seconded, and unanimously adopted: That the report of the Executive Committee be approved as read. This report is attached.

The report of the Secretary-Treasurer was given by Mrs. Alexander. Following discussion of the Council's financial position, the report was adopted as read. (Attached.)

The proposed budgets, as approved by the Executive Committee, were submitted by Mr. Anthony. Following discussion of the individual items under the general operations budget and a review of the proposed project expenditures, it was moved, seconded, and unanimously adopted: That the proposed budgets for 1962 be approved subject to review and revision by the Executive Committee. (Attached.)

The proposed grants-in-aid schedule for 1962, as approved by the Executive Committee, was presented by Mr. Rilling. In making the presentation Mr. Rilling briefly reviewed the situation, needs, and accomplishments of each of the state councils. He pointed out the number of staff changes during the year and indicated the encouraging trend of increasing local financial

support on the part of most of the state councils. In spite of this, however, Mr. Rilling expressed the opinion that none of the state councils was at or near the point of being able to support itself without assistance from SRC.

There followed a period of question and comment on grants to specific councils and on the general grants-in-aid program. It was explained that the proposed grants of $50,000 would, if approved, represent a firm commitment on the part of SRC while the supplementary grant of $2,000 would be subject to the availability of funds. Any unused grants-in-aid funds from 1961 will be used as a contingency fund for supplementary aid to state councils and for related programs during 1962.

Several of the members expressed a concern for the needs of state councils with which they were familiar and urged that the grants-in-aid program be continued and that the funds in the program be increased if at all possible. Several members from Kentucky requested that they have an opportunity to meet with the staff to explore possibilities of assistance to the council in that state. It was agreed that this should be done.

It was moved, seconded, and unanimously adopted: That the proposed grants-in-aid for 1962 be approved in amount and distribution, subject to review and revision by the Executive Committee. The approved schedule is attached.

Proposed changes in the By-Laws were presented to the members. Earlier, as required by the By-Laws, the members had received the proposed changes and the Executive Committee, on November 8, had approved the changes to be presented to the full Council for consideration. These changes call for increasing Council membership from 80 to 100 persons, the increase to take place over a four year period, 1961 through 1964, with five additional members added to each class as elected. Following discussion it was moved, seconded, and unanimously adopted: That the proposed changes in the By-Laws be approved as submitted. These changes are attached.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

In mid-afternoon the Council began an executive session, with the staff on call.

On recommendation of the Executive Committee it was moved, seconded, and unanimously adopted: That the Executive Director, Leslie W. Dunbar; the Secretary-Treasurer, Ruth House Alexander; and, the Counsel, Joseph F. Haas, be confirmed for service during 1962.

The report of the Nominating Committee was given by Thomas W. Young. The report is as follows:

The Nominating Committee of 1961 consists of: Dr. Raymond Wheeler; H. V. Richardson; H. Franklin Williams; Stephen J. Wright; Thomas W. Young.

On September 28, 1961 this Committee met to select nominees for officers and members of the Southern Regional Council. By unanimous vote, the Committee adopted the following slate of nominees to be presented at the Annual Meeting of the Council:

Officers

President	James McBride Dabbs
Vice Presidents	Albert W. Dent
	Marion A. Wright
	Miss Josephine Wilkins
	Rufus E. Clement
Legal Counsel	Joseph F. Haas

Nominating Committee
(two additional members appointed by Executive Committee)

Irving Carlyle
Raymond Wheeler
Thomas Young

Executive Committee
(in addition to the President, Vice Presidents and Counsel)

The Rev. W. C. Brooke; Paul R. Christopher; John A. Griffin; Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton; H. Franklin Williams; Stephen J. Wright; Rabbi Jacob Rothschild; Father Alexander O. Sigur; John H. Wheeler

Members

Members of Class of 1961

Re-elected to Class of 1965: Mrs. Vivian Carter Mason; The Rev. Caxton Doggett; Luther H. Foster; C. G. Gomillion; Arthur Gray; Paul E. Green; John A. Griffin; Joseph F. Haas; Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton; The Rev. John E. Hines; The Rev. Duncan Hunter; Guy B. Johnson; E. T. Kehrer; Mrs. Austin Kimball; Z. A. Looby; Rabbi Charles Mantinband

New Members Elected to Class of 1962: The Rev. Theodore Gibson, Miami, Fla.

New Members Elected to Class of 1965: Dr. A. D. Beittel, Tougaloo, Miss.; Mrs. Vivion Brewer, Scott, Ark.; The Rev. M. D. McCollom, Orange-

burg, S.C.; John P. Nelson, Jr., New Orleans, La.; Lucius H. Pitts, Birmingham, Ala.; David Scull, Annandale, Va.; Andrew M. Secrest, Cheraw, S.C.; The Rev. Kelly M. Smith, Nashville, Tenn.

Following discussion, it was moved, seconded, and unanimously adopted: That the report of the Nominating Committee be accepted as presented.

Following the adoption of the report of the Nominating Committee, the members held a discussion on matters to be considered by future nominating committees when selecting new members. Following this discussion the following motion was made, seconded, and unanimously adopted: It is the concensus of the Council that in considering nominations for membership in the Council, the Nominating Committee give due consideration to identification or potential identification with local and state councils, but that this consideration alone not exclude otherwise valuable potential members from SRC.

At 4:30 p.m. the meeting reconvened in general session for the first program session.

The members heard a report from Mrs. Tilly on her work and on the just-completed meeting of the Fellowship of the Concerned. Mrs. Tilly was of the opinion that this meeting, with the largest attendance in history, had been the most successful one ever held.

Following discussion and a question and answer period, it was moved, seconded, and unanimously adopted: That the Council formally pay tribute to Mrs. Tilly for her outstanding work during the year and for her invaluable services during all of the Council's history.

In the absence of Mr. Muse, because of illness, Mr. Dunbar reported on the Southern Leadership Project. He expressed the opinion that this was one of the most valuable of the Council's programs and one that he hoped could be continued for an additional two years. A request for a grant to make this possible had been submitted to the Rockefeller Brothers Fund.

Mr. J. J. Brewbaker spoke of his work as the project's school consultant. He reported an increasing willingness of school officials to discuss school desegregation and to prepare for it. It was agreed that in Mr. Brewbaker's difficult area of operation care had to be taken to see that school

officials did not look on minimum token desegregation as a satisfactory solution.

The members were told of a new project, Research in Pupil Adjustment, an effort to study in depth some of the pupils involved in newly desegregated school situations. The project staff, Dr. and Mrs. Robert Coles, were introduced.

The first program session ended at 5:30 p.m.

The members reassembled for dinner at 7:00 p.m., Mr. Dabbs presiding. The program consisted of a panel discussion on the subject of whether the present civil rights situation should be seen as encouraging or otherwise. Mr. Wheeler introduced the panel members who were Dr. Robert J. Harris, Dr. C. Eric Lincoln, and Mr. Louis Lomax.

The second program session began at 9:30 a.m. on November 9 at Dean Sage Hall, Atlanta University; Vice President Josephine Wilkins presiding.

Mr. Dunbar gave the report of the Executive Director, stating that a formal written report would be mailed to the members at a later date. He expressed his pleasure at the number in attendance and the hope that in the morning session and thereafter members would give the staff the benefit of their assistance and counsel.

Mr. Dunbar referred to the statement issued by the Executive Committee on the occasion of Mr. Fleming's resignation and suggested that he felt it would be appropriate if the full Council endorsed this statement. It was moved, seconded, and unanimously adopted: <u>That the statement issued by the Executive Committee in appreciation of Harold C. Fleming's services to SRC be adopted by the full Council.</u>

The Director mentioned the major publications issued during the year and expressed his particular satisfaction over the reception given <u>The Federal Executive and Civil Rights</u>. He reviewed the plans, to date, of the proposed voter registration program and referred to SRC's role in this as another of the increasing and needed ways in which the Council must attempt

to serve other organizations working in the South in human relations.

Another area which would need greater program attention was that of work in the rural areas and states of the Deep South. Toward this end preliminary work is underway to re-establish human relations organizations in New Orleans and in Mississippi. In meeting this need, and the other anticipated needs of the next several years, Mr. Dunbar noted that the Council would have to maintain a posture which would allow it to be of maximum usefulness in the Deep South while at the same time developing programs for the more liberal parts of the region. It will take skill to meet these obligations with programs that do not seem to conflict.

The Director referred to a list of five questions which had been placed in the hands of the members. These represented subjects on which the staff would particularly like the guidance of the Council. The questions were:

1. How can SRC and the Councils on Human Relations do a more effective job in the small cities and rural areas?
2. With initiative in the civil rights movement now coming from a number of organizations, both new and old, what should be the relationship of SRC to them?
3. The latest "statement of policy and aims of the Southern Regional Council" was adopted in 1951. Do you believe there would be value in a new statement? If you are not prepared to comment on this question now, would you care sometime during the next few months to write your views to President Dabbs?
4. In the 1951 statement, one of SRC's functions was stated as follows:

   > To give special emphasis to the development of leadership among promising young Southerners of all races.

   Except through incidental ways, SRC has not discharged this function. Should we attempt it? How?
5. Do you see ways in which you as a member of the Council would like to be more closely involved or publicly identified with its program?

There followed a lengthy discussion of questions 1 through 4. Time did not permit discussion of number 5. On the matter of a new statement of policy, members requested they be sent the full text of the 1951 statement; thereafter suggestions would be sent to Mr. Dabbs.

The Council unanimously passed the following motions before adjournment:

That an expression of appreciation be sent to Dr. Clement and Atlanta University for the generous hospitality extended to the Council;

That an expression of appreciation be sent to President Wynn and Gammon Theological Seminary for the housing accommodations provided members;

That the Executive Committee and staff be commended on the format of the 1961 annual meeting;

That the participants of the Panel at the Dinner meeting be informed of the Council's appreciation for a stimulating program;

That greetings and a record of these proceedings be sent to Dr. and Mrs. George Mitchell;

On learning of the death of one of the original members, Mr. Philip Shulhafer, that a letter of condolence be sent Mrs. Shulhafer.

The second program session adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

Lunch was served in the Atlanta University Dining Room at 1:00 p.m., Vice President Marion A. Wright presiding. The Presidential Address was delivered by Mr. Dabbs. (Full text of this address reprinted in the November, 1961 issue of New South.)

There being no further business, the Annual Meeting of the Southern Regional Council adjourned at 2:30 p.m., November 9, 1961.

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FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Accountant's Certificate

We have examined the financial statement of the Southern Regional Council, Inc., for the year ended December 31, 19~~59~~61. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion the accompanying statements taken from the full audit present fairly the financial position of the Southern Regional Council, Inc., at December 31, 19~~59~~61, and the results of its operations for the year then ended.

Daniel E. Harrison
Daniel E. Harrison
Registered Public Accountant

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SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

BALANCE SHEET
December 31, 1959

ASSETS

Funds toward future obligations, 1960-61:		
Cash in Bank - Checking	$ 52,968.01	
Investment in Securities (Market Value 12/31/59)	145,155.20	$198,123.21
Inventory, Pamphlets	$ 1,500.00	
Office Equipment	4,825.41	6,325.41
Total Assets		$204,448.62

LIABILITIES

Due to Special Projects, 1960-61:		
Research Department	$ 28,821.54	
Consultant Service Program	15,653.15	
Registration and Voting Survey	1,802.13	
Fellowship of the Concerned	1,149.37	
Southern Leadership Project	21,121.91	
Contingency Fund	5,701.53	74,249.63
Special Grants-in-Aid to State Councils on Human Relations	$ 25,000.00	
Advance Appropriations, General Operations:		
1960	44,060.19	
1961	25,000.00	
Reserve Fund	29,923.57	
Obligations Outstanding	2,840.70	126,824.46
Total Liabilities		201,074.09
Excess of Assets over Liabilities		3,374.53
Total		$204,448.62

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSES - GENERAL OPERATIONS
January 1, 1959 to December 31, 1959

INCOME

Contributions:		
Foundations	$107,000.00	
Organizations	2,619.50	
Churches	3,800.00	
Individuals	6,730.16	$120,149.66
Interest Income	$ 3,818.53	
Dividends on Securities	3,166.20	
NEW SOUTH Subscriptions	5,084.21	
Sale of Literature	714.47	
Honoraria	135.00	
Associate Members' Dues	55.00	
Overhead from project grants	6,000.00	18,973.41
Total Income		$139,123.07

EXPENSES

Salaries	$ 66,256.90	
Social Security Taxes	1,667.66	
Travel	7,581.38	
Telephone and Telegraph	3,432.09	
Executive Committee Meetings and Annual Meeting	3,982.46	
Consultant Fees	910.00	
Books and Subscriptions	706.82	
Office Supplies	2,074.56	
NEW SOUTH Postage	1,990.87	
NEW SOUTH Printing	5,673.47	
Postage	1,739.69	
Printing	1,412.81	
Liability Insurance	67.46	
Rent	3,600.00	
Accounting	225.00	
Georgia Sales Tax	17.82	
Miscellaneous	1,007.37	
Grants-in-Aid to State Councils	33,000.00	
Group Hospitalization Insurance	322.95	
Group Term Life Insurance	363.98	
Office Repairs and Maintenance	770.70	
Total Expenses		136,803.99
Excess of Income over Expenses		$ 2,319.08

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS - SPECIAL PROJECTS
January 1, 1959 to December 31, 1959

RESEARCH DEPARTMENT

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1959		$50,000.00
Refunds		106.32
Total Receipts		$50,106.32

DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries	$14,581.86	
Travel and Communication	1,248.89	
Printing, Books and Subscriptions	2,023.09	
Program Materials	1,000.00	
Equipment and Supplies	1,114.73	
Consultants' Fees and Travel	1,256.21	
Postage	60.00	
Total Disbursements		21,284.78
Balance, December 31, 1959		$28,821.54

CONSULTANT SERVICE PROGRAM

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1959	$ 7,831.48	
Individual Donor, 1958 for 1959-60	20,000.00	
Total Receipts		$27,831.48

DISBURSEMENTS

Consultants' Fees, Travel and Communication	$ 9,409.08	
Program Materials and Overhead	2,769.25	
Total Disbursements		12,178.33
Balance, December 31, 1959		$15,653.15

REGISTRATION AND VOTING SURVEY

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1959		$ 7,933.21

DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries and Consultants' Fees	$ 1,970.00	
Travel and Communication	968.08	
Printing - Project Report	3,193.00	
Total Disbursements		6,131.08
Balance, December 31, 1959		$ 1,802.13

RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS - SPECIAL PROJECTS (Continued)

FELLOWSHIP OF THE CONCERNED

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1959		$ 2,594.55
Phelps-Stokes Fund	$ 2,000.00	
John Hay Whitney Foundation	2,000.00	
Other	142.65	4,142.65
Total Receipts		$ 6,737.20

DISBURSEMENTS

Local and State Meetings	$ 772.78	
Annual Southwide Meeting	4,657.45	
Program Materials	157.60	
Total Disbursements		5,587.83
Balance, December 31, 1959		$ 1,149.37

SOUTHERN LEADERSHIP PROJECT
(Project fiscal year ends May 31, 1960)

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1959		$37,240.02

DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries	$ 4,400.04	
Travel and Communication	2,578.66	
Office Expense	1,451.20	
Program Materials	989.04	
Consultants' Fees and Travel	943.44	
Printing and Distribution	1,744.32	
Overhead	4,000.00	
Total Disbursements		16,106.70
Balance, December 31, 1959		$21,133.32

CONTINGENCY FUND

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1959	$ 9,400.00

DISBURSEMENTS

Total Disbursements	3,698.47
Balance, December 31, 1959	$ 5,701.53

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL
ADJUSTING JOURNAL ENTRIES
DECEMBER 31, 1961

	DEBITS	CREDITS
Contributions - Organizations	700.15	
Salaries	20,370.12	
Travel	613.12	
Printing	445.64	
Books and Subscriptions	458.23	
Office Supplies	68.72	
Consultant Fees	2,104.70	
Employment Survey	1,000.00	
Research Department		25,760.68
To close Research Department and charge proper accounts.		
Travel	454.69	
Telephone and Telegraph	369.83	
Office Supplies	193.18	
Printing	191.27	
New South Printing	1,422.40	
Books and Subscriptions	32.01	
Miscellaneous Expenses	91.27	
Insurance - General	45.06	
Southern Leadership Project	229.51	
Accounts Payable		3,029.22
To record Accounts Payable December 31, 1961		
Social Security Taxes	157.81	
Ga. Sales Tax	.65	
Accrued Taxes		158.46
To record accrued taxes December 31, 1961.		

Ruth:

I believe our accounts payable figure was changed after I recorded these journal entries. Please check these Accounts Payable figures against the audit report before you enter them in the General Journal and General Ledger, and make necessary adjustment.

Thanks,

Dan

U. S. TREASURY DEPARTMENT
INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

IN REPLY REFER TO
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MAR 22 1962

Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Room 432, 63 Auburn Avenue
North East
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Gentlemen:

This is in reference to a letter dated December 14, 1961, from Mr. Adrian W. DeWind, Attorney, New York City, in which he requests in your behalf a ruling that your present exemption from Federal income tax as an organization described in section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code will not be adversely affected by the voter registration program you propose to undertake.

The information available for our use in considering your request includes that furnished at a conference held in the National Office of the Internal Revenue Service on January 31, 1962, between our representatives and Mr. Harold C. Fleming and Mr. Adrian W. DeWind, as well as that presented by Mr. DeWind in his letter of February 9, 1962.

The purpose of the program called Project is to develop educational programs which will be most effective in providing voters with the knowledge and will to register. Inasmuch as there are various agencies and groups actively engaged in and staffed for work in voter registration areas, you do not propose to have Project do the field work itself. Rather, you believe that such work can be done most economically and effectively by organizations experienced therein. Accordingly, Project will grant funds and provide consultants for approved voter registration programs conducted by these organizations. In this connection, it appears that Project intends to support a variety of programs: Some involving voter education on an individual basis; some on a group or meeting basis; some working primarily through church organizations; others through community or civic groups. So long as a program is practicable and appears effectively designed to secure voter registration, does not unduly duplicate any other approved program, meets the conditions of Project and will be useful as a source of research, knowledge and experience, it may be considered for approval.

Programs of the cooperating organizations must be submitted to and approved by Project before any grant is made. Basically, approval will be limited to organizations which in your opinion have a background, experience, knowledge and personnel fitted to carry out the work of Project. No program will be approved which does not provide that the program, its employees and agents will refrain from any partisan political propaganda or activity aimed at influencing legislation or supporting any political party or the campaign of any candidate for election to public office. Further, cooperating organizations will be required to submit a proposed detailed budget of their programs, to establish and maintain separate accounting records for Project funds, and to conduct the Project program separately and apart from any of their other activities which are not exclusively charitable or educational. The Project staff will visit and work with the cooperating organizations in the field and the staff will also have the right at any time to examine the pertinent accounting records of each cooperating organization. You intend by such supervision to assure that any misuse of Project funds would come almost immediately to the attention of the Project Director. Furthermore, since payments on the grant to each cooperating organization will be made quarterly, the possibility of cancelling the unpaid balance of the grant will serve as a sanction against the diversion of funds by these organizations from their Project-approved programs.

In addition to the above activities, it is indicated that Project will be used to obtain reports of the programs from the cooperating organizations. The reports will disclose in detail information with respect to the activities, areas of operation, public response, problems encountered, solutions developed and results of the programs. The programs will be analyzed and additional independent research in the matter will be conducted by the Project staff and your research department. After Project has been completed, you intend to publish a report, analysis and evaluation of the programs.

We have concluded that, if you operate Project strictly in accordance with the representations made by Mr. DeWind in his letters of December 14, 1961 and February 9, 1962, the

activity will not adversely affect your present exemption from Federal income tax as an organization described in section 501(c)(3) of the Code. In this connection, it is requested that you submit with your annual information return, Form 990-A, a statement in duplicate disclosing full details with respect to your operation of Project during the year covered by the return. The statement should include among other things a complete description of the activities of Project during the year, how the programs of the cooperating organizations are being conducted, the name of each cooperating organization and the amount of the grant made by you to each organization. There is enclosed a copy of this ruling which should be attached to the information return when it is filed.

The District Director of Internal Revenue, Atlanta, Georgia, is being notified of this action.

Very truly yours,

John W S Littleton

Director, Tax Rulings Division

Enclosure:
Copy of this ruling.

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

BALANCE SHEET

March 31, 1961

ASSETS

Cash in Banks - Checking	$ 17,580.15
Investment in Securities	137,112.00
Total Assets, March 31, 1961	$154.692.15

LIABILITIES

Southern Leadership Project	$ 24,112.80	
Consultant Service Program	4,947.13	
Fellowship of the Concerned	1,261.83	
Voting Survey	1,552.91	
Special Fund for Educational Projects	8,457.08	
New Orleans Project	201.86	40,533.61
Special Grants-in-Aid to State Councils on Human Relations	38,500.00	
Advance Appropriation - 1962	13,000.00	
Reserve Fund	43,827.21	95,327.21
Current Operating Fund		18,831.33
Total Liabilities, March 31, 1961		$154,692.15

April 18, 1961

PROPOSED AGENDA

Meeting of the Executive Committee - S. R. C.
April 19, 1961

10:00 a. m. EXECUTIVE SESSION
(Staff on call)

Invocation

Adoption of Agenda

Approval of Minutes of Last Meeting

Election of Members of Nominating Committee

Report on Personnel Recruitment
Mr. Dunbar

Other Matters for Executive Session

GENERAL SESSION

Special Reports

International Institute
Mr. Fleming
Committee of Attorneys
Mr. Haas

Discussion of Recent Appointments and Activities of Committee Members

Financial Matters

Sale of Securities
Mr. Anthony
Current Fund-Raising
Mr. Fleming
Authorization for Sale of Securities

Discussion of Program and Other Business

3:00 p. m. ADJOURNMENT

Note: Lunch will be available at 12:00 noon or thereafter at at the convenience of the Committee.

Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Adjusting Journal Entries
December 31, 1963

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	Dr.	Cr.
-1-		
Accounts Payable	256977	
Travel		45614
Tel + Tel		51801
Office Supplies		50847
New South Printing		2363
Books + Subsc.		22885
Miscellaneous		773
Repairs + Maint.		2800
Southern Leadership Project		23509
V.E.P. - Travel		29649
" - Tel. + Tel.		20416
" - Printing		4625
" - Office Supplies		1695
To reverse Accounts Payable set up June 30, 1963.		
-2-		
Citizens Trust Co. - Savings	85728	
Interest Income		85728
To record interest earned during last 6 months of 1963.		
-3-		
Social Security Tax (SRC) 19461 + 20122	39583	
" " " (VEP) 3128 3128	6256	
Ga. Sales Tax	1353	
Accrued Taxes		47192
To record Accrued Taxes 12-31-63.		
-4-		
Fellowship of the Concerned	387500	
Contributions - Churches		387500
To credit proper account with Contributions received from Churches during the year 1963.		
-5-		
Contributions - Churches	183197	
Fellowship of the Concerned		183197
To transfer enough from Advance Appropriations to Fellowship of the Concerned to cover expenses for the year 1963.		
-6-		
Advance Appropriations	847272	
Contributions - Foundations		847272
To credit income of 1963 with balance in advance appropriations: Field Foundation $5,000.00 Fund for Republic $1,440.75 and New World Foundation $1339.93		

Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Adjusting Journal Entries
December 31, 1963

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	Dr	Cr
-7-		
Investment in Securities	2105 75	
Contribution - Individuals		2105 75
To record the fair market value on Dec. 31 1963, of stock received in Dec. 1963, which was contributed to Southern Regional Council, Inc by the following donors: Received from Steven C. Rockefeller Nine (9) shares of Common Stock of Eastman Kodak Co. Valued at $115.75 per share. Received from Mary R. Strawbridge Fourteen (14) shares of capital stock of Standard Oil Co. (New Jersey) valued at $76.00 per share.		
-8-		
Annual Meeting	285 17	
Travel	889 76	
Tel & Tel	396 28	
Office Supplies	315 88	
New South Printing	834 40	
Books & Subscriptions	183 80	
Miscellaneous	99 53	
Foreign Visitors' Expense	22 93	
Southern Leadership Project	427 36	
V.E.P. - Travel	345 21	
" - Tel & Tel	196 12	
" - Office Supplies	152 71	
Accounts Payable		6720 15
To record Accounts Payable Dec. 31, 1963.		
-9-		
Citizens Trust Co. - Checking	5 50	
Books & Subscriptions		5 50
To reverse entry on following checks which have never cleared the bank: Ck. # 1342, 3-21-63 $4.00; Ck. # 1418 4-8-63 1.50		
-10-		
Trust Co. of Ga - Reserve Fund	1067 79	
Dividends Received		1067 79
To record income to Trust Fund during the period July 1, 1963 to Dec. 31, 1963.		
-11-		
General Insurance	16 43	
Major Medical Insurance		16 43
To combine major med. with Gen. Ins.		

Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Adjusting Journal Entries
December 31, 1963

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	Dr.	Cr.
-12-		
Reinvestment in Trust Fund	106779	
Reserve Fund - Trust Co. of Ga.		106779
To increase Reserve Fund to equal Investment in Trust Fund and charge General operations with amount reinvested in Trust Fund from July 1, 1963 to Dec. 31, 1963.		
-13-		
Contributions - Foundations	3000000	
Advance Appropriations		3000000
To credit Advance Appropriations with the following Contributions:		
Field Foundation $ 25,000.00		
Chase Fund 5,000.00		
-14-		
FICA (SRC)	14564	
V.E.P. - S.S.		14564
To adjust between accounts		
-15-		
Advance Appropriations	133993	
Special Grants-in-aid & Indep. St. Councils		133993
To credit proper account with amounts transferred from following:		
New Orleans Project $ 81359		
Consultant Service Program 52634		
to be used for discretionary purposes.		

Southern Regional Council Inc.
Reconciliation of Balance of General Operations
December 31, 1963

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Total Funds and Securities on hand 12-31-63:		
Cash in Checking - Citizens Trust Co.	$ 579643	
" " Savings - " " "	437276	
" " Securities held by Citizens Trust Co.	1500000	
" " Checking - V.E.P. - 1st Nat'l Bk.	790962	
Trust Fund - Trust Co. of Ga.	6820837	
Investment in other Securities	210575	
Total on hand		$ 26609293
Deduct the following budgeted amounts which have been specifically earmarked for special projects, appropriations for future periods and Reserves:		
Due to Special Projects:		
Consultant Service program	$ -0-	
Research in Student Adjustment	(94421)	
Registration + Voting Survey	35291	
Fellowship of the Concerned	-0-	
Southern Leadership Project	3448363	
Special Fund for Educational Project	1263242	
New Orleans Project	-0-	
Voter Education Project	790962	
Total due to Special Projects	$ 11711937	
Special Grants - in-aid to State Councils	3397959	
Appropriations for Future Periods	3000000	
Reserve for Trust Funds	6820837	
Trust for Burned Churches	-0-	
Total Budgeted Funds		24930733
Balance Available for General Purposes		$ 1678560

Bad Debt FICA Fed WT - 2665.44
H. WT 601.03

	Adjustments Dr	Adjustments Cr	Income Statement Dr	Income Statement Cr	Balance Sheet Dr	Balance Sheet Cr	
1					4541340		
2	(6) 87442				4459618		
3					7500000		
4					150000		
5		(12) 210575			— 0 —		
6					1960778	1272.54	= 20,880.30
7	(7) 117613				6938450		
8	(10) 117613		117613				
9	(8) 3500					3112817	
10						280366	
11						983242	
12	(8) 36440	(1) 42736				2308607	
13	(8) 37425					635358	
14						170061	
15						35291	
16		(10) 117613				6938450	
17	(13) 3000000	(14) 7500000				7500000	
18	(3) 6389	(5) 93826				93826	A/P
19	(11) 917393					1835868	
20	(14) 7500000	(13) 3000000		10150000			
21				605500			
22	(12) 225569			13300			
23				379466			
24				60223			
25		(6) 87442 (3) 133		124562			
26				1034377			
27		(7) 117613		124855			
28			6172392				
29	(5) 35923				—	—	
30	(5) 35916		250654				
31						130848	A/P
32						45558	A/P
33			16000				
34	(8) 92472	(1) 88976	912338				
35	(8) 89329	(1) 39628	400668				
36	(8) 20250	(1) 31588	253942				
37			156435				
38	(8) 279199		448903				
39			147500				
40	(8) 60684	(1) 83440	613713				
41			3500				
42		(1) 285617	979222				
43	(8) 41063	(1) 18380	201658				
44	(8) 11112	(2) 500000 (1) 9953	59694				
45			403505				
46	(5) 715		4348				

	Adjustment Dr	Adjustment Cr	Income Statement Dr	Income Statement Cr	Balance Sheet Dr	Balance Sheet Cr	
1	(9) 184	(12) 14994		14994			
2			211843				
3			79067				
4			55842				
5		(9) 184	17872				
6			62000				
7		(1) 2293	10928				
8			42238				
9			404214				
10	(1) 672015	(8) 696952				696952	A/P
11		(11) 917393	1714478 9	1250727 7	2605018 6	2471724 4	
12		net income	1362488			86248 8 / 2562973 2	
13	(4) 02				1020494 2		
14				18250000			
15				1006400			
16				2286 00			
17			2628286				
18	(5) 10636		—		—		
19	(5) 10636		75217				
20						41585	A/P
21						14545	A/P
22			90000				
23	(8) 29780	(1) 34521	320431				
24	(8) 23639	(1) 19612	141978				
25	(8) 2532	(1) 15271	37814				
26					127252		
27			23745				
28			27246				
29			112160				
30	(8) 2323		32816				
31			12337800				
32			6709				
33			6900				
34							
35		(3) 6256	—				
36			7496				
37			31018				
38			10278				
39			18950				
40			1034377				
41			600				
42			20000				
43			30515				
44			63450				
45			17057786	19485000	10332194	7769304	
46			2427214			3825434 / 5427214	
47						10252648	

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

Trial Balance

	June 1964 Debit	June 1964 Credit	December 1964	
Citizens Trust Co. - checking	45 113 40		60041 56	
Citizens Trust Co. - savings	43 721 76		44768 06	
Citizens Trust Co. - securities	75 000 00		75000 —	
Inventory - books and pamphlets	1 500 00		1500 —	
Investment in other securities	2 105 75			
Office Equipment	19 607 78		19685 02	
Trust Co. of Georgia Reserve Fund	68 208 37		69384 50	
Reinvestment in Trust Fund	1176 13	~~31 163 17~~	1176 13	
Special Grants-in-Aid to Independent State Councils on Human Relations		31 163 17		37435 47
Fellowship of the Concerned (all church contributions)		2 803 66		3512 09
Special Fund for Educational Projects		9 832 42		7842 42
Southern Leadership Project (Special Fund for Educational Projects)	~~22 695 15~~	22 695 15		19743 72
Operation Opportunity (Taconic Foundation) Louis L. Mitchell, Jr. (S.T.P.		6 727 83	2695 94	
Atlanta Project (Partners for Progress)		1 700 61		950 61
Registration and Voting Survey (Economic Research & Counselling Project)		352 91		5127 91
Reserve Fund - Trust Co. of Georgia		68 208 37		69384 50
Advance Appropriations General Operations - 1964		30 000 00		75000 —
Accrued Taxes		63 89		
Surplus		27 532 61		18358 68
Foundations		146 500 00		213500 —
Labor and Other Organizations		6 055 00		6155 —
Individuals		2 388 69		3230 05
NEW SOUTH subscriptions		3 794 66		6205 57
Sale of Miscellaneous Literature		602 23		973 17
Interest Income		369 87		1417 50
Overhead from Project Grants		10 343 77		1219 95
Dividends Received		72 42		1242 55
Publication Subscriptions				110 —
Salaries	61 723 92		12452 05	
F.I.C.A.		359 23		244 31
S.S. Tax Expense	2 147 38			
Federal Withholding		1 308 48		
Georgia Withholding		455 58		
Consultant Fees	160 00			
Travel	9 088 42			
Tel and Tel	3 509 67			
Office Supplies	2 652 80			
Postage	1 564 35			
Printing	1 697 04			
NEW SOUTH Postage	1 475 00			
NEW SOUTH Printing	6 364 69			
NEW SOUTH Author's Fees	35 00			
Executive Committee and Annual Meeting Expense	3 835 39			
Books and Subscriptions	1 789 75			
Miscellaneous Expense	5 585 35			
Rent	4 035 05			
Georgia Sales Tax	36 33			
Loans Receivable				

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Trial Balance

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		June 1964 Debit	June 1964 Credit	December 1964	
1	Gain on Sale of Securities				
2	Major Medical Insurance		1 84		
3	Retirement Insurance (MONY and TIAA)	2 118 43			
4	Group Hospitalization Insurance	790 67			
5	Group Term Life Insurance	558 42			
6	General Insurance	180 56			
7	Accounting	620 00			
8	Foreign Visitors	132 21			
9	Repair and Maintenance - Equipment	422 38			
10	SRC Moving Expense	4 042 14			
11	Accounts Payable		6 720 15		
12	Research in Student Adjustment (Eleanor Roosevelt Memorial Fund Mississippi Study Project)	9 173 93		71964	
13	VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT			528	
14	First Nat'l Bank of Atlanta	102 049 40			
15	Contributions - Foundations		182 500 00		
16	Contributions - Organizations and Churches		10 064 00		
17	Contributions - Individuals		2 286 00		
18	Salaries	26 282 86			
19	F.I.C.A.		106 36		
20	S.S. Tax Expense	645 81			
21	Federal Withholding		415 85		
22	Georgia Withholding		145 45		
23	Consultant Fees	900 00			
24	Travel	3 251 72			
25	Telephone and Telegraph	1 379 51			
26	Office Supplies	505 55			
27	Office Equipment	1 272 52			
28	Postage	237 45			
29	Miscellaneous Expense	272 46			
30	Rent	1 121 60			
31	Printing	304 93			
32	Grants for Voter Registration Program	123 378 00			
33	Publications - Books and Subscriptions	67 09			
34	Harassment - Miscellaneous	69 00			
35	Payroll Taxes	62 56			
36	Retirement Insurance	74 96			
37	Hospitalization Insurance	310 18			
38	Group Life Insurance	102 78			
39	General Insurance	189 50			
40	Overhead	10 343 77			
41	Georgia Sales Tax	6 00			
42	Accounting	200 00			
43	Repairs and Maintenance - Equipment	305 15			
44	Moving Expense	634 50			
45	VEP - advance appropriations		77 693 04		
46					
47		653 263 14	653 263 24		

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Individuals

Name and Address	Date Received	Amount
~~Mr. & Mrs. William J. Strawbridge~~ ~~Rockefeller Plaza~~ ~~New York, New York~~	Receipts entry (Rockefeller + Strawbridge (M & F + S)) ~~11-22~~ ~~11-3~~ ~~11-12~~	~~2,255.69~~ ~~1,033.10~~ ~~1,025.10~~
30 ~~Mr. Steven Rockefeller~~ ~~Rockefeller Plaza~~ ~~New York, New York~~	11-3	# ~~1,033.10~~
Arthur H. Rosenfeld 160 Southhampton Road Berkeley 7, California	1-2-64	100.00
Lawrence J. MacGregor 242 Fairmount Avenue Chatham, New Jersey	10-5-64	100.00
Mrs. J. N. Rayzor 3207 Groveland Lane Houston 19, Texas	11-3-64	100.00
Mrs. Mary R. Strawbridge 30 Rockefeller Plaza New York, N. Y.	~~11-3-64~~ ~~1,033.10~~ 11-17-64	~~1,025.10~~
Miss Josephine Wilkins Atlanta Biltmore Atlanta, Georgia	12-30-64	350.00
Mr. J. McNeill Smith P. O. Drawer G Greensboro, North Carolina	12-30-64	500.00 ~~250.00~~
Mrs. Sarah G. Moench Box 557, Route 3 Golden, Colorado	12-31-64	100.00
		[redacted]

Houston Thompson Box 38 Silsbee, Texas	3/4/64	100.00
Chris Dixie Main at Preston Canlan Bldg. Houston, Texas Canlan	3/4/64	500.00
Oscar H. Mauzy 1601 National Bankers Life Bldg. Dallas 1, Texas	3/4/64	500.00
Jim Phelps Austin Texas	3/4/64	500.00
James D. Montgomery 2723 - 29th Avenue North Birmingham, Alabama	3/23/64	100.00
Dr. H. L. Hamilton 1420 - 7th Avenue, North Birmingham, Alabama	3/23/64	100.00

Dr. Clinton Warner 319 West Lake Avenue, N.W. Atlanta, Georgia	5/6/64	100.00
Mr. L. D. Milton 212 Auburn Avenue, N.E. Atlanta, Georgia	5/6/64	100.00
Mr. Herbert M. Singer 717 Fifth Avenue New York, New York	8/21/64	4,000.00
Milton A. Gilbert 3755 Henry Hudson Parkway Riverdale, New York	8/21/64	5,000.00

Labor and other Organizations

Name and address	Date Received	Amount
Committee for Welfare, Education and Legal Defense 10 Columbus Circle New York, New York	2/10/64 - $5,000.00 4/28/64 - 5,000.00	$10,000.00
United Artists Corporation 729 Seventh Avenue New York, New York	8/21/64	10,000.00
United Steelworkers of America 1500 Commonwealth Bldg. Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania	2/25/64	500.00
American Federation of Labor and Congress of Industrial Organizations 815 Fifteenth Street, N.W. Washington, D.C.	5/28/64	5,000.00
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers of America 1200 - 15th St. N.W. Washington, D.C.	5/19/64	300.00

Board of National Missions, 250.00
United Presbyterian Church, USA 11/17/64
475 Riverside Drive
New York, New York

Woman's Missionary Union
Decatur First Baptist Church 8/18/64 10.00
308 Clairmont Avenue
Decatur, Georgia

Woman's Society of Christian 9/24/64 250.00
Service, Alabama S.E. Jurisdiction
2711 Main Avenue
Northport, Alabama

Jack & Jill of America 3/4/64 25.00
2467 Edison Avenue
Detroit, Michigan

Gate City Bar Association 5/6/64 39.00
28 Butler St. N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Social Service Club 5/19/64 5.00
Emanuel College
400 The Fenway
Boston, Massachusetts

31,904.00

Name & address	Date	Amount
The protestant Episcopal Church in the U.S.A. 815 Second Avenue ~~281 Park Avenue~~ New York, New York	1/6/64 - 1,000.00 12/16/64 - 1,000.00	~~2,000.00~~ 2,000.00
Division of National Missions of the Board of Missions of the Methodist Church 1701 Arch Street Philadelphia, Pennsylvania	3/1/64 - 250.00 6/1/64 - 250.00 9/1/64 - 250.00 12/1/64 - 250.00	~~1,000.00~~ 1,000.00
Woman's Society of Christian Service, The Methodist Church 475 Riverside Drive New York, New York	6/19/64	1,200.00
Board of Education of the Methodist Church P.O. Box 871 Nashville, Tennessee	5/27/64	150.00
Board of Christian Education Presbyterian Church, U.S. Presbyterian Building 8 North 6th Street Richmond, Virginia	12/30/64	250.00

Organizations - Continued

International Hod Carriers, Builders and Common Laborers of America
905 Sixteenth Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C.
5/19/64 250.00

Textile Workers Union of America
~~15 Union Square~~ 99 University Place
New York, New York
9/18/64 100.00

North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance Co.
114 West Parrish Street
Durham, North Carolina
10/1/64 250.00

Universal Life Insurance Co.
480 Linden Avenue
Memphis, Tennessee
10/1/64 200.00

Mechanics & Farmers Bank
P.O. Box 1932
Durham, North Carolina
10/1/64 100.00

Southern Aid Life Insurance Co.
214 East Clay Street
Richmond, Virginia
10/21/64 25.00

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Name and Address	Date Received	Amount
Woman's Missionary Union Decatur First Baptist Church 308 Clairmont Avenue Decatur, Georgia	8/18/64	250.00
Woman's Society of Christian Service, Alabama S. E. Jurisdiction 2711 Main Avenue Northport, Alabama	9/24/64	250.00
Jack and Jill of America 2467 Edison Avenue Detroit, Michigan	3/04/64	25.00
Gate City Bar Association 28 Butler Street, N. E. Atlanta, Georgia	5/06/64	39.00
Social Service Club Emanuel College 400 The Fenway Boston, Massachusetts	5/19/64	5.00
		$31,904.00

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES OF THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

The Southern Regional Council is a non-profit organization which seeks the improvement of social, civic, economic, and racial conditions in the South through educational methods. At its central office in Atlanta it carries on the following activities:

maintains a small staff constantly studying the course of change in the economy and institutional life of the South, with special reference to race relations implications,

publishes a monthly magazine, NEW SOUTH, which provides an informative service to subscribers throughout the South, including newspapers and organizational officials,

supplies speakers to church, trade union, business and other gatherings desiring non-political discussion of Southern issues, particularly in the field of race relations,

assists in the organization and support of non-political state organizations conducting educational activities in the field of race relations, in each of twelve Southern states,

supplies facts about Southern institutional patterns and their changes to a considerable number of persons who request such facts by mail,

services informationally and educationally a stream of visitors, many of them visitors from abroad under sponsorship of the U. S. State Department or the U. S. Department of Labor, and other agencies, but including many travellers from points within the United States.

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New Census Look at Cities and Race

By Jack Eisen
Staff Reporter

A SEVERE CASE of "hardening of the boundaries" during a period of massive population growth has moved large American cities, Washington among them, into a sort of statistical limbo.

This was emphasized last night by the release of new Census Bureau data showing that the Nation's metropolitan communities are not as racially unbalanced as earlier figures indicated.

In contrast with the earlier statistics, which covered only areas within cities' political boundaries, the new figures are based on entire metropolitan areas—or, as the Government calls them, "standard metropolitan statistical areas."

FOR METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON, the new census figures show that Negroes make up 487,183 of the 2,001,897 total population, or 24.3 per cent—a figure that has remained fairly stable for half a century. Before that, it was higher.

This new tabulation recognizes that virtually all cities have spilled large numbers of urban-oriented families—city-dwellers in every modern sense of the word—across their invisible boundaries into the adjacent suburbs. These families maintain strong social, economic and cultural ties with the central city.

In fact, Richard M. Scammon, director-designate of the Census Bureau, regards today's city as little more than an enlarged downtown for the metropolitan community.

"In fact, we must develop a new concept of a city to replace one that has ceased to have real statistical meaning," he says.

THE MAPS on this page provide a graphic demonstration. They depict, in identical scale, the Nation's 10 most populous metropolitan communities. Solid areas are the central cities — the enlarged downtowns Scammon referred to. The outer lines are the boundaries of the cities' standard metropolitan statistical areas. Shaded areas show the relative size of Washington and its suburbs.

Within the metropolitan boundaries, of course, land remains for development—just as there was space for Washington to grow

within its political boundaries in 1910, when the census described the District as "essentially urban or suburban in character," with rural pockets.

In the Nation's earliest days, when most Negroes were slaves working as field hands or body servants, the nonwhite population of this area approached half of the total. It reached a peak of 48.6 per cent in 1810.

During the Civil War, many freed men fled to the protection of Washington, tilting the proportion of Negroes upward for two decades. It dwindled slowly until the World War II and postwar population surge ballooned the size and shape of the metropolitan community.

IN THE PAST 10 years, Metropolitan Washington gained 545,293 population, of which 145,440 were Negroes. Of the latter, 127,706 moved into the central city. The District's population now is 763,956, with Negroes accounting for 411,737, or 53.9 per cent.

But Scammon holds that there is "no essential difference" between such developments in American cities today and what occurred a century ago in urban centers along the Eastern Seaboard. Low-income Negroes have tended to cluster in the center of the metropolitan area, he observes, just as the poor immigrant found a place to live in the much smaller downtown of yesteryear.

Then as now, new development in most cities lapped outward. When a municipal boundary was reached, annexation was easy—something not true today.

Washington of a century ago provides an example. The District had been shrunk one-third in 1846 by returning its original Virginia portion, yet the northern city limits reached only to Florida ave. nw. Beyond lay the farms, villages and estates of Washington County, D. C., extending to the Maryland line drawn in 1801.

Philadelphia attained its present size in 1854, San Francisco in 1856, St. Louis in 1876, New York in 1898. Scammon notes that all 10 cities depicted by the maps on this page are similarly straitjacketed.

In all these cities, as in all other large metropolitan communities on the Census Bureau list, the proportion of Negroes in the central city thus is much higher than that for the total metropolitan area. Frequently it is double.

SCAMMON ALSO NOTES that there is little apparent relationship between the Nation-wide "flight to the suburbs" and a community's racial patterns. He cites Minneapolis, which has 2.4 per cent Negroes—the smallest proportion among the top 25 cities—which lost 38,846 population between 1950 and 1960. Its metropolitan area gained 323,096.

During the same period, Washington lost an almost identical 38,222 persons while the area-wide gain was 537,808.

The Census Bureau's new figures show that two cities among the top 25 have metropolitan populations with higher proportions of Negroes than Washington. Metropolitan Memphis has 36.3 per cent and metropolitan New Orleans has 30.8.

Closely following Greater Washington's 24.3 per cent are metropolitan Atlanta with 22.8 and metropolitan Baltimore with 21.9.

Population Division In 25 Metropolises

THE FOLLOWING table, prepared from 1960 Census Bureau data, shows the total population and Negro population of the metropolitan areas centering on the Nation's 25 largest cities. Heavy type indicates data for the entire metropolitan area; italic type for the central city or cities and the outside communities (suburbs).

	Pop. Rank	Total Population	Negro Population	Per Cent Negro
New York	**1**	**10,694,633**	**1,227,625**	**11.5**
New York	1	7,781,984	1,087,931	14.0
Outside		2,912,649	139,694	4.8
Chicago	**3**	**6,220,913**	**890,154**	**14.3**
Chicago	2	3,550,404	812,637	22.9
Outside		2,670,509	77,517	2.9
Los Angeles	**2**	**6,742,696**	**464,717**	**6.9**
Los Angeles	3	2,479,015	334,916	13.5
Long Beach	35	344,168	9,531	2.8
Outside		3,919,514	120,270	3.1
Philadelphia	**4**	**4,342,897**	**671,304**	**15.5**
Philadelphia	4	2,002,512	529,240	26.4
Outside		2,340,385	142,064	6.1
Detroit	**5**	**3,762,360**	**558,870**	**14.9**
Detroit	5	1,670,144	482,223	28.9
Outside		2,092,216	76,647	3.7
Baltimore	**12**	**1,727,023**	**378,575**	**21.9**
Baltimore	6	939,024	326,589	34.8
Outside		788,099	51,986	6.6
Houston	**16**	**1,243,158**	**246,351**	**19.8**
Houston	7	938,219	215,037	22.9
Outside		304,939	31,314	10.3
Cleveland	**11**	**1,796,595**	**257,273**	**14.3**
Cleveland	8	876,050	250,818	28.6
Outside		920,545	6,455	0.7
Washington	**10**	**2,001,897**	**487,183**	**24.3**
D. C.	9	763,956	411,737	53.9
Outside		1,237,941	75,446	6.1
St. Louis	**9**	**2,060,103**	**294,873**	**14.3**
St. Louis	10	750,026	214,377	28.6
Outside		1,310,077	80,496	6.1
Milwaukee	**17**	**1,194,290**	**63,170**	**5.3**
Milwaukee	11	741,324	62,458	8.4
Outside		452,966	712	0.2
San Francisco	**6**	**2,783,359**	**238,754**	**8.6**
San Francisco	12	740,316	74,383	10.0
Oakland	33	367,548	83,618	22.8
Outside		1,675,495	80,753	4.8
Boston	**7**	**2,589,301**	**77,781**	**3.0**
Boston	13	697,197	63,165	9.1
Outside		1,892,104	14,616	0.8
Dallas	**19**	**1,083,601**	**155,488**	**14.3**
Dallas	14	679,684	129,242	19.0
Outside		403,917	26,246	6.5
New Orleans	**27**	**868,480**	**267,478**	**30.8**
New Orleans	15	627,525	233,514	37.2
Outside		240,955	33,964	14.1
Pittsburgh	**8**	**2,405,435**	**161,499**	**6.7**
Pittsburgh	16	604,332	100,692	16.7
Outside		1,801,103	60,807	3.4
San Antonio	**35**	**687,151**	**45,314**	**6.6**
San Antonio	17	587,718	41,605	7.1
Outside		99,433	3,709	3.7
San Diego	**24**	**1,033,011**	**39,397**	**3.8**
San Diego	18	573,224	34,435	6.0
Outside		459,787	4,962	1.1
Seattle	**23**	**1,107,213**	**28,261**	**2.6**
Seattle	19	557,087	26,901	4.8
Outside		550,126	1,360	0.2
Buffalo	**15**	**1,306,957**	**82,910**	**6.3**
Buffalo	20	532,759	70,904	13.3
Outside		774,198	12,006	1.6
Cincinnati	**20**	**1,071,624**	**128,121**	**12.0**
Cincinnati	21	502,550	108,754	21.6
Outside		569,074	19,367	3.4
Memphis	**41**	**627,019**	**227,445**	**36.3**
Memphis	22	497,524	184,320	37.0
Outside		129,495	43,125	33.3
Denver	**25**	**929,383**	**31,548**	**3.4**
Denver	23	493,887	31,066	6.3
Outside		435,496	482	0.1
Atlanta	**22**	**1,017,188**	**231,474**	**22.8**
Atlanta	24	487,455	186,464	38.3
Outside		529,733	45,010	8.5
Minneapolis	**14**	**1,482,030**	**20,702**	**1.4**
Minneapolis	25	482,872	11,785	2.4
St. Paul	40	313,411	8,240	2.6
Outside		685,747	677	0.1

D. C. Population Changes

THE FOLLOWING table, prepared from original Census Bureau figures, shows the total population and Negro population of the communities that now make up Metropolitan Washington. Comparable figures are given for the area of the present District of Columbia.

	METROPOLITAN AREA			DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA		
Year	Total Pop.	Negro Pop.	Per Cent Negro	Total Pop.	Negro Pop.	Per Cent Negro
1790	51,667	22,343	43.2	No figures available.		
1800	63,653	29,698	46.7	8,144	2,116	26.0
1810	75,703	36,796	48.6	15,471	5,126	33.1
1820	81,059	34,358	42.4	23,336	7,599	32.6
1830	89,328	37,083	41.5	30,261	9,109	30.1
1840	88,077	35,329	40.1	33,745	9,819	29.1
1850	109,786	39,457	35.9	51,687	13,746	26.6
1860	141,215	41,545	29.4	75,080	14,316	19.1
1870	203,108	72,210	35.6	131,700	43,404	33.0
1880	262,405	94,070	35.8	177,624	59,596	33.6
1890	318,909	108,772	34.1	230,392	75,572	32.8
1900	378,615	120,744	31.9	278,718	86,702	31.1
1910	445,399	126,871	28.5	331,069	94,446	28.5
1920	571,882	141,545	24.8	437,571	109,966	25.1
1930	672,198	167,409	24.9	486,869	132,068	27.1
1940	967,985	229,225	23.7	663,091	187,266	28.2
1950	1,456,604	341,743	23.5	802,178	284,031	35.4
1960	2,001,897	487,183	24.3	763,956	411,737	53.9

218-03-2250

Leslie N. Dunbar
1529 Berkeley Lane, N.E.
Atlanta 6, Georgia

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230-28-0352

Paul Anthony
P.O. Box 223
Atlanta 1, Georgia

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174.00	4,800.00	1,543.20	9,166.68

223-07-7904

Mrs. Margaret Long Leonard
40-15th Street, N.E., Apt. 11
Atlanta 9, Georgia

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174.00	4,800.00	1,142.40	7,700.04

252-24-4107

Ruth House Alexander
741 Carter Street, N.W., Apt. 12
Atlanta 14, Georgia

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259-48-3873
Mrs. M. E. Lilly
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Atlanta 6, Georgia

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Alice D. Blackford
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Atlanta 9, Georgia

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Atlanta 5, Georgia

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228-42-2742

Benjamin Muse
P.O. Box 312
Manassas, Virginia

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Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
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Atlanta 18, Georgia

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1747 Detroit Court, N.W.
Atlanta 14, Georgia

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Randolph J. Blackwell
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Atlanta 11, Georgia

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335-18-8449

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6455 Bridgewood Valley Road
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255-32-0591

Mrs. Monley G. Albright
2150 Monterey Drive, N.W.
Atlanta 18, Georgia

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Mrs. Mildred M. Johnson
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Atlanta 18, Georgia

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Atlanta 18, Georgia

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Mrs. Nobbie H. Morgan
Route 1, Box 10 P.O. Box 172
Winston, Georgia

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081-20-9114

Mrs. Bernice C. Cook
401 Simpson Terrace, N.W.
Atlanta 14, Georgia

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214-22-2338

Mrs. Barbara J. Patterson
1284 Oakdale Road, N.E.
Atlanta 7, Georgia

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256-52-7320

Joe Louis Tucker
1305 Mayson-Turner Road, N.W., apt. 4
Atlanta 14, Georgia

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256-52-5030

Mary D. Godwin
220 Fourteenth Street, N.E., apt. E-1
Atlanta 9, Georgia

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258-38-7175

Mrs. Lucita H. Knox
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Atlanta 9, Georgia

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Roland E. Blanding, Jr.
820 Union Street, N.E.
Grand Rapids, Michigan

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Mrs. Bethia B. Blackford
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Atlanta 9, Georgia

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254-62-4155

Benjamin F. Sexton
Route 1
Winston, Georgia

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253-72-5283

Mrs. Eleanor O. Guest
1016 Beckwith Street, S.W.
Atlanta 14, Georgia

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411-28-7030

Mrs. Ruth F. Howard
127 Boling Drive
Forest Park, Georgia

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241-42-2831

Henry B. Clark II
99 Claremont Avenue
New York 27, New York

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255-54-2582

Mrs. Janet C. Shartt
162 Chestnut Street, N.W., apt. 93
Atlanta 14, Georgia

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Mrs. Lillian S. Garth
165 Anderson Avenue, N.W.
Atlanta 14, Georgia

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Mrs. Sue B. Rusche
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Walter Patterson Walters, Jr.
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Atlanta 14, Georgia

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Elbert L. Maxwell
811 "H" Street
Brunswick, Georgia

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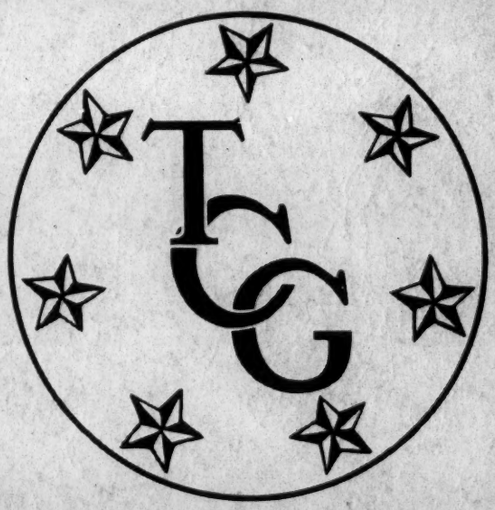

A STATEMENT FROM THE TRUST DEPARTMENT

TRUST COMPANY OF GEORGIA

Where Banking is a Pleasure

EXPLANATORY NOTES TO STATEMENTS

The enclosed statements consist of five related parts:

1. Summary of Principal Transactions (Page 1.)
2. Summary of Income Transactions (Page 2.)
3. List of Assets Held as of Statement Date (Begins at Page 3.)
4. Detail of Principal Transactions (under same captions summarized on Page 1.)
5. Detail of Income Transactions (under same captions summarized on Page 2.)

"Inventory Value" figures generally represent one of the following:

1. For estates — value at date of death, as to assets held at death.
2. Other type of accounts — income tax cost basis, if known to us.
3. All accounts, as to assets purchased — actual cost.
4. Nominal value of $1.00 may be used in cases where foregoing information is unknown or inapplicable.

Page numbers following the captions on the Summary Statements refer to pages upon which the corresponding detail transactions appear.

Minus signs indicate a reduction in Inventory Value, or a disbursement of cash, as the case may be.

STATEMENTS

FOR THE ACCOUNT OF

TRUST COMPANY OF GEORGIA

TRUSTEE UNDER AGREEMENT WITH

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL INC

DATED JUNE 28 1961

ACCOUNT 4588

AS OF

JUNE 20, 1965

RENDERED BY
TRUST COMPANY OF GEORGIA
TRUST DEPARTMENT

SUMMARY
OF CHANGES IN ASSETS AND PRINCIPAL CASH

FROM 03-20-65 TO 06-20-65

4588

	CHANGES IN ASSETS AT OUR INVENTORY VALUE	CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
BALANCE ON MARCH 20, 1965	$ 67,772.17	$ .00-
CASH TRANSFERS FROM INCOME, PAGE 4	.00	555.91
PURCHASES OF ASSETS, PAGE 4	555.99	555.99-
BALANCE ON JUNE 20, 1965	$ 68,328.16	$ .08-*

SUMMARY
OF CHANGES IN INCOME CASH

FROM 03-20-65 TO 06-20-65 4588

		CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
BALANCE ON MARCH 20, 1965	$	11.90
RECEIPTS		
INCOME FROM COMMON FUNDS, PAGE 5		549.09
TOTAL RECEIPTS	$	549.09
DISBURSEMENTS		
CASH TRANSFERS OUT, PAGE 5		555.91-
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	$	555.91-
BALANCE ON JUNE 20, 1965	$	5.08 *

ASSETS HELD

AS OF 06-20-65

4588

UNITS	COMMON FUNDS	INVENTORY VALUE
6,144	COMMON TRUST FUND NO 1 UNITS	$ 68,328.16
	TOTAL COMMON FUNDS	$ 68,328.16
	TOTAL ASSETS	$ 68,328.16 *

FROM 03-20-65 TO 06-20-65 4588

DATE	DESCRIPTION OF ENTRY	CHANGES IN ASSETS AT OUR INVENTORY VALUE	CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
	CASH TRANSFERS FROM INCOME		
04-12	TRANSFER FROM INCOME FOR INVESTMENT		555.91
	TOTAL PER SUMMARY	.00	555.91 *
	PURCHASES OF ASSETS		
04-12	43 UNITS COMMON TRUST FUND NO 1 UNITS PURCHASED AT 12 93 ON 4-1-65	555.99	555.99-
	TOTAL PER SUMMARY	555.99	555.99-*

CHANGES IN INCOME CASH

FROM 03-20-65 TO 06-20-65

4588

DATE	UNITS	DESCRIPTION OF ENTRY	CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
		INCOME FROM COMMON FUNDS	
04-01	6,101	COMMON TRUST FUND NO 1 UNITS	549.09
		TOTAL PER SUMMARY	549.09 *
		CASH TRANSFERS OUT	
04-12		TRANSFER TO PRINCIPAL FOR INVESTMENT	555.91-
		TOTAL PER SUMMARY	555.91-*

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SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

Operating Budgets and Income Forecast
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SYNOPSIS

Budgeted:			
General Operations		$ 152,975.00	
Special Projects		117,500.00	
	Total		$ 270,475.00
Income Forecast:			
General Operations		$ 74,700.00	
Special Projects		92,000.00	
	Total		$ 166,700.00
Balance to be Raised:			
General Operations		$ 78,275.00	
Special Projects		25,500.00	
	Total		$ 103,775.00

P. 2 -- Operating Budgets

P. 3 -- Income Forecast

OPERATING BUDGETS -- 1961

General Operations:

Salaries	$ 92,200.00	
Social Security Taxes	1,900.00	
Travel	9,500.00	
Telephone & Telegraph	4,250.00	
Executive Committee and Annual Meetings	4,000.00	
Books and Subscriptions	1,925.00	
Office Supplies & Equipment	5,500.00	
NEW SOUTH, Printing & Postage	9,000.00	
Postage	1,700.00	
Printing	10,500.00	
Insurance, Staff Benefits	1,200.00	
Insurance, Other	400.00	
Rent	7,200.00	
Accounting & Other Fees	500.00	
Office Repairs & Maintenance	200.00	
Consultant Fees & Travel (Research)	2,000.00	
Miscellaneous	1,000.00	
		$ 152,975.00

Special Projects:

Southern Leadership Project	$ 40,000.00	
Grants-in-Aid, State Councils on Human Relations	50,000.00	
Fellowship of the Concerned	5,000.00	
Special Fund for non-SRC Programs	7,500.00	
Consultant Service Program	15,000.00	
		$ 117,500.00
	Total	$ 270,475.00

INCOME FORECAST -- 1961

General Operations:

Foundations:

Field Foundation	$ 25,000.00	
Taconic Foundation	25,000.00	
Ottinger Foundation	2,000.00	
William C. Whitney Foundation	3,500.00	
Marion Ascoli Fund	1,000.00	
Adele Levy Fund	1,000.00	
Hopkins Charities Fund	2,500.00	
		$ 60,000.00

Other: (Estimated)

Churches	3,200.00	
Organizations	3,000.00	
Individuals & Office Related	8,500.00	
		$ 14,700.00
TOTAL:		$ 74,700.00
BALANCE TO BE RAISED:		$ 78,275.00

Projects:

Foundations:

Southern Leadership Project Rockefeller Brothers Fund		$ 40,000.00	
Grants-in-Aid, State Councils			
Taconic Foundation	$25,000		
Field Foundation	12,500	37,500.00	
Fellowship of the Concerned John Hay Whitney Fd.		2,000.00	
Special Fund for non-SRC Activities New World Fd. (estimated)		7,500.00	
Consultant Service Program Taconic Fd. (estimated)		5,000.00	
			$ 92,000.00
BALANCE TO BE RAISED:			$ 25,500.00

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FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Accountant's Certificate

We have examined the financial statement of the Southern Regional Council, Inc. for the period January 1, 1961 to June 30, 1961. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion the accompanying statements taken from the full audit present fairly the financial position of the Southern Regional Council, Inc., at June 30, 1961, and the results of its operation for the period then ended.

Daniel E. Harrison

Daniel E. Harrison
Registered Public Accountant

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

BALANCE SHEET
June 30, 1961

ASSETS

Funds toward future obligations, 1961-62:		
Cash in Bank - Checking	$ 96,840.39	
Investment in Securities	80,000.00	
Trust Fund	60,000.00	
Accounts Receivable - Sale of Stock	21,891.24	$258,731.63
Inventory, Pamphlets	$ 1,500.00	
Office Equipment	8,155.27	
Accounts Receivable	856.54	10,511.81
Total Assets		$269,243.44

LIABILITIES

Due to Special Projects, 1961-62:		
Consultant Service Program	$ 1,890.91	
Registration and Voting Survey	1,552.91	
Fellowship of the Concerned	2,235.48	
Southern Leadership Project	16,709.00	
Special Fund for Educational Projects	8,457.08	
New Orleans Project	85.23	
Southern History Project	4,000.00	$ 34,930.61
Special Grants-in-Aid to State Councils on Human Relations	$ 65,139.15	
Advance Appropriations, General Operations	25,000.00	
Reserve for Trust Fund	60,000.00	
Obligations outstanding	5,771.37	155,910.52
Total Liabilities		$190,841.13
Excess of Assets over Liabilities		78,402.31
Total		$269,243.44

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSES - GENERAL OPERATIONS
January 1, 1961 to June 30, 1961

INCOME

Contributions:		
Foundations	$123,500.00	
Labor & Other Organizations	1,451.39	
Churches	2,125.00	
Individuals	289.00	$127,365.39
Interest Income	400.00	
Dividends on Securities	888.30	
NEW SOUTH Subscriptions	2,943.53	
Sale of Literature	593.21	
Associate Members' Dues	38.00	
Gain on Sale of Securities	14,269.89	19,132.93
Total Income		$146,498.32

EXPENSES

Salaries	$ 46,987.45	
Social Security Taxes	1,384.37	
Travel	4,607.66	
Telephone and Telegraph	2,322.85	
Executive Committee & Annual Meetings	1,595.45	
Consultants' Fees	2,124.00	
Books and Subscriptions	767.80	
Office Supplies	1,763.52	
NEW SOUTH Postage	681.98	
NEW SOUTH Printing	3,524.25	
Postage	784.99	
Printing	3,324.13	
Rent	3,600.00	
Accounting	740.00	
Georgia Sales Tax	4.88	
Miscellaneous	558.00	
Group Hospitalization Insurance	177.47	
Group Term Life Insurance	239.78	
Liability and Fire Insurance	207.45	
Retirement Insurance	723.20	76,119.23
Excess of Income over Expenses		$ 70,379.09

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS - SPECIAL PROJECTS
January 1, 1961 to June 30, 1961

CONSULTANT SERVICE PROGRAM

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1961		$ 7,074.66
Travel Refunds		1.20
Total Receipts		$ 7,075.86

DISBURSEMENTS

Consultants' Fees	$ 2,320.00	
Consultants' Travel and Communication	2,818.64	
Total Disbursements		5,138.64
Balance, June 30, 1961		$ 1,937.22

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REGISTRATION AND VOTING SURVEY

Balance, January 1, 1961	$ 1,552.91

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FELLOWSHIP OF THE CONCERNED

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1961	$ 318.78
John Hay Whitney Foundation	1,000.00
Phelps-Stokes Fund	1,000.00
Total Receipts	$ 2,318.78

DISBURSEMENTS

Travel	$ 63.20	
Program Materials	20.10	
Total Disbursements		83.30
Balance, June 30, 1961		$ 2,235.48

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS - SPECIAL PROJECTS
January 1, 1961 to June 30, 1961

SOUTHERN LEADERSHIP PROJECT

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1961		$ 31,366.55

DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries	$ 4,749.96	
Travel and Communication	2,188.99	
Office Expense	778.62	
Printing and Distribution	2,303.28	
Consultants' Fees	2,850.00	
Consultants' Travel	1,616.03	
Total Disbursements		14,486.88
Balance, June 30, 1961		$ 16,879.67

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SPECIAL FUND FOR EDUCATIONAL PROJECTS

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1961		$ 8,784.24

DISBURSEMENTS

United Church Women - Georgia	$ 127.16	
United Church Women - Florida	200.00	
Total Disbursements		327.16
Balance, June 30, 1961		$ 8,457.08

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS - SPECIAL PROJECTS
January 1, 1961 to June 30, 1961

NEW ORLEANS PROJECT

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1961		$ 4,870.44
Edgar Stern Family Fund		2,000.00
Total Receipts		$ 6,870.44

DISBURSEMENTS

Printing, Promotion, Mailing, etc.	$ 6,258.14	
Travel and Communication	527.07	
Total Disbursements		6,785.21
Balance, June 30, 1961		$ 85.23

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SOUTHERN HISTORY PROJECT

RECEIPTS

The Field Foundation	$ 4,000.00

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

SCHEDULE OF CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED - GENERAL OPERATIONS
January 1, 1961 to June 30, 1961

CONTRIBUTIONS

Foundations:		
The Field Foundation	$ 50,000.00	
The Rockefeller Foundation	50,000.00	
Hopkins Charitable Fund	2,500.00	
New York Foundation	2,500.00	
The Ottinger Foundation	2,000.00	
Aaron E. Norman Fund	1,500.00	
Marion R. Ascoli Fund	1,000.00	
Adele R. Levy Fund	1,000.00	
Total		$110.500.00
Labor and Other Organizations:		
Industrial Union Department, AFL-CIO	$ 500.00	
International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union	500.00	
U. S. South African Leader Exchange	250.00	
American Newspaper Guild	25.00	
Consolidated Charities, LeMoyne College	20.00	
Total		$ 1,295.00
Churches:		
Woman's Division of Christian Service of the Methodist Church	$ 1,200.00	
Division of National Missions of the Board of Missions of the Methodist Church	500.00	
Board of National Missions of the United Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A.	250.00	
Board of Education of the Methodist Church	150.00	
Woman's Society of Christian Service, North Carolina Conference	25.00	
Total		$ 2,125.00

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
AID TO INDEPENDENT STATE COUNCILS ON HUMAN RELATIONS
January 1, 1961 to June 30, 1961

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1961	$ 41,500.00
Field Foundation, Inc., 1961-62	50,000.00
Total Receipts	$ 91,500.00

DISBURSEMENTS

Alabama Council on Human Relations	$ 1,462.50	
Arkansas Council on Human Relations	1,600.00	
Florida Council on Human Relations	1,700.00	
Georgia Council on Human Relations	4,750.00	
Houston (Texas) Council on Human Relations	1,500.00	
Kentucky Council on Human Relations	375.00	
North Carolina Council on Human Relations	3,900.00	
South Carolina Council on Human Relations	3,015.61	
Tennessee Council on Human Relations	1,750.00	
Virginia Council on Human Relations	5,325.00	
State Aid Discretionary Fund	982.74	
Total Disbursements		26,360.85
Balance, June 30, 1961		$ 65,139.15

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REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT
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TELEPHONE
PLAZA 5-6333

July 19, 1961

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar, Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Sir:

An examination has been made of the books and records of the Southern Regional Council, Inc., Atlanta, Georgia for the period from January 1, 1961 to June 30, 1961.

The following Exhibits and Schedules, together with comments, are submitted herewith:

EXHIBIT A - Balance Sheet, June 30, 1961
EXHIBIT B - Statement of Receipts and Disbursements, General Operations
EXHIBIT C - Statement of Receipts and Disbursements, Consultant Service Program
EXHIBIT D - Statement of Receipts and Disbursements, Registration and Voting Survey
EXHIBIT E - Statement of Receipts and Disbursements, Fellowship of the Concerned
EXHIBIT F - Statement of Receipts and Disbursements, Southern Leadership Project
EXHIBIT G - Statement of Receipts and Disbursements, Special Fund for Educational Projects
EXHIBIT H - Statement of Receipts and Disbursements, New Orleans Project
EXHIBIT I - Statement of Receipts and Disbursements, Southern History Project
EXHIBIT J - Statement of Income and Expenses, General Operations
SCHEDULE 1 - Reconciliation, Citizens Trust Company
SCHEDULE 2 - Reconciliation, First National Bank
SCHEDULE 3 - Schedule of Contributions Received, General Operations
SCHEDULE 4 - Statement of Receipts and Disbursements, Aid to Independent State Councils on Human Relations
SCHEDULE 5 - Accounts Payable
SCHEDULE 6 - Accounts Receivable

COMMENTS

Cash in Banks - Checking - $96,840.39

All recorded receipts were traced to bank deposits, and disbursements were compared with cancelled checks. Schedules 1 and 2 show the reconciliation of the two bank accounts with the books. Bank balances were confirmed by correspondence with the depositaries.

Trust Fund - $60,000.00

This represents the amount of the Reserve Fund which has been placed in trust with the Trust Company of Georgia being named Trustee.

Investment in Securities and held for that purpose - $80,000.00

The Citizens Trust Company is holding $20,000.00 in short term government securities and $60,000.00 in cash for purchase of government securities when a favorable market permits.

Accounts Receivable - Sale of Securities - $21,891.24

This amount was confirmed by correspondence with the brokerage firm and collection was made on July 10, 1961.

Due to Special Projects - $34,930.61

Exhibit A indicates the projects to which these amounts are due.

Advance Appropriations - $90,139.15

This represents advance appropriations for general operations in 1961 and 1962.

Operations

Exhibits B, C, D, E, F, G, H, and I, reflect the results of operations for the period from January 1, 1961 to June 30, 1961.

Exhibit J is a Statement of Income and Expenses of the general operations for the period from January 1, 1961 to June 30, 1961.

In our opinion, the attached Balance Sheet and Statements of Receipts and Disbursements present fairly the financial condition at June 30, 1961 and the results of operations for the period then ended.

Respectfully,

Daniel E. Harrison

Daniel E. Harrison
Registered Public Accountant

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

BALANCE SHEET

June 30, 1961

ASSETS

Funds toward future obligations, 1961-62:		
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Trust Fund	60,000.00	
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Inventory, Pamphlets	$ 1,500.00	
Office Equipment	8,155.27	
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Total Assets		$269,243.44

LIABILITIES

Due to Special Projects, 1961-62:		
Consultant Service Program	$ 1,890.91	
Registration and Voting Survey	1,552.91	
Fellowship of the Concerned	2,235.48	
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New Orleans Project	85.23	
Southern History Project	4,000.00	$ 34,930.61
Special Grants-in-Aid to State Councils on Human Relations	$ 65,139.15	
Advance Appropriations, General Operations	25,000.00	
Reserve for Trust Fund	60,000.00	
Obligations outstanding	5,771.37	155,910.52
Total Liabilities		$190,841.13
Excess of Assets over Liabilities		78,402.31
Total		$269,243.44

EXHIBIT A

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS - GENERAL OPERATIONS
January 1, 1961 to June 30, 1961

RECEIPTS

Contributions:			
Foundations	$110,500.00		
Bequest, Cash	5,000.00		
Labor & Other Organizations	4,045.00		
Churches	2,125.00		
Individuals	289.00	$121,959.00	
Interest Income		400.00	
Dividends on Securities		888.30	
NEW SOUTH Subscriptions		3,361.53	
Sale of Literature		640.21	
Associate Members'Dues		38.00	
Sale of Securities		109,490.65	
Total Receipts			$236,777.69
Balance, January 1, 1961			11,859.49
Total			$248,637.18

DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries		$ 45,219.49	
Social Security Taxes		1,378.60	
Travel		3,336.74	
Telephone and Telegraph		1,932.94	
Executive Committee and Annual Meetings		1,595.45	
Consultants' Fees		2,124.00	
Books and Subscriptions		732.51	
Office Supplies		1,529.70	
NEW SOUTH Postage		681.98	
NEW SOUTH Printing		3,043.05	
Postage		733.70	
Printing		3,224.01	
Rent		3,600.00	
Accounting		740.00	
Georgia Sales Tax		3.52	
Miscellaneous		522.99	
Group Hospitalization Insurance		177.47	
Group Term Life Insurance		239.78	
Liability and Fire Insurance		170.17	
Retirement Insurance		723.20	
Office Equipment		1,529.33	
Accounts Payable, 1960		1,981.27	
Payroll Taxes, 1960		1,524.71	
Transfer to Trust Fund		60,000.00	
Bank for purchase of securities		60,000.00	
Total Disbursements			$196,744.61
Balance, June 30, 1961	$ 73,444.89		
Deduct: Inter-Departmental Transfers (Net)	(21,552.32)		51,892.57
Total			$248,637.18

EXHIBIT B

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS - SPECIAL PROJECTS
January 1, 1961 to June 30, 1961

CONSULTANT SERVICE PROGRAM

RECEIPTS

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Total Disbursements		5,138.64
Balance, June 30, 1961		$ 1,937.22

EXHIBIT C

REGISTRATION AND VOTING SURVEY

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EXHIBIT D

FELLOWSHIP OF THE CONCERNED

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DISBURSEMENTS

Travel	$ 63.20	
Program Materials	20.10	
Total Disbursements		83.30
Balance, June 30, 1961		$ 2,235.48

EXHIBIT E

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

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SPECIAL FUND FOR EDUCATIONAL PROJECTS

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DISBURSEMENTS

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Total Disbursements		327.16
Balance, June 30, 1961		$ 8,457.08

EXHIBIT G

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS - SPECIAL PROJECTS
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DISBURSEMENTS

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Travel and Communication	527.07	
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Balance, June 30, 1961		$ 85.23

EXHIBIT H

SOUTHERN HISTORY PROJECT

RECEIPTS

The Field Foundation	$ 4,000.00

EXHIBIT I

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

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Group Hospitalization Insurance	177.47	
Group Term Life Insurance	239.78	
Liability and Fire Insurance	207.45	
Retirement Insurance	723.20	76,119.23
Excess of Income over Expenses		$ 70,379.09

EXHIBIT J

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

RECONCILIATION - CITIZENS TRUST COMPANY
June 30, 1961

Balance per bank				$159,337.59
Less checks outstanding:				
Number	Amount	Number	Amount	
2366	$ 49.02	3302	$ 218.87	
2514	1.22	3303	128.91	
3242	335.36	3304	124.42	
3252	21.60	3305	113.91	
3263	195.45	3306	125.82	
3274	20.17	3307	110.87	
3275	121.63	3308	109.49	
3276	15.00	3309	97.25	
3280	3.64	3310	115.91	
3281	40.00	3312	75.71	
3286	60,000.00	3313	86.61	
3290	30.00	3314	37.61	
3294	335.36	3315	251.72	
3295	341.78	3316	525.08	
3297	280.56	3317	133.27	
3298	224.25			
3301	226.71			64,497.20
Balance per books, June 30, 1961				$ 94,840.39

SCHEDULE 1

RECONCILIATION - FIRST NATIONAL BANK
June 30, 1961

Balance per bank and books	$ 2,000.00

SCHEDULE 2

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

SCHEDULE OF CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED - GENERAL OPERATIONS
January 1, 1961 to June 30, 1961

CONTRIBUTIONS

Foundations:		
The Field Foundation	$ 50,000.00	
The Rockefeller Foundation	50,000.00	
Hopkins Charitable Fund	2,500.00	
New York Foundation	2,500.00	
The Ottinger Foundation	2,000.00	
Aaron E. Norman Fund	1,500.00	
Marion R. Ascoli Fund	1,000.00	
Adele R. Levy Fund	1,000.00	
Total		$110,500.00
Labor and Other Organizations:		
Industrial Union Department, AFL-CIO	$ 500.00	
International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union	500.00	
U. S. South African Leader Exchange	250.00	
American Newspaper Guild	25.00	
Consolidated Charities, LeMoyne College	20.00	
Total		$ 1,295.00
Churches:		
Woman's Division of Christian Service of the Methodist Church	$ 1,200.00	
Division of National Missions of the Board of Missions of the Methodist Church	500.00	
Board of National Missions of the United Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A.	250.00	
Board of Education of the Methodist Church	150.00	
Woman's Society of Christian Service, North Carolina Conference	25.00	
Total		$ 2,125.00

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
AID TO INDEPENDENT STATE COUNCILS ON HUMAN RELATIONS
January 1, 1961 to June 30, 1961

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1961	$ 41,500.00
Field Foundation, Inc., 1961-62	50,000.00
Total Receipts	$ 91,500.00

DISBURSEMENTS

Alabama Council on Human Relations	$ 1,462.50	
Arkansas Council on Human Relations	1,600.00	
Florida Council on Human Relations	1,700.00	
Georgia Council on Human Relations	4,750.00	
Houston (Texas) Council on Human Relations	1,500.00	
Kentucky Council on Human Relations	375.00	
North Carolina Council on Human Relations	3,900.00	
South Carolina Council on Human Relations	3,015.61	
Tennessee Council on Human Relations	1,750.00	
Virginia Council on Human Relations	5,325.00	
State Aid Discretionary Fund	982.74	
Total Disbursements		26,360.85
Balance, June 30, 1961		$ 65,139.15

SCHEDULE 4

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

SCHEDULE OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE
June 30, 1961

Haas & Dodd	$ 37.28
Railway Express Agency, Inc.	7.22
Herren's Restaurant	14.56
Office Supply Company	24.94
The Diners' Club, Inc.	178.78
Higgins-McArthur Company	581.32
Hill's Church & Office Supplies	9.47
Miller's Book & Office Supply Company	2.84
Burrelle's Press Clipping Bureau	32.45
Colonial Film & Equipment Company	12.36
The Mimeograph Company	85.94
Claxton Printing Company	17.68
Phillips-Browne Sign Company	15.45
The Western Union Telegraph Company	17.13
Rich's Inc.	87.39
Thermo-Fax Sales	80.34
Matthews Drivurself Service, Inc.	12.85
Pitney-Bowes, Inc.	44.07
Leb's	8.09
The Hertz Corporation	28.34
Ivan Allen Company	499.55
Avis Rent-A-Car System	36.02
IBM	517.75
Southern Bell Telephone & Telegraph Company	505.72
Eastern Air Lines, Inc.	1,138.74
Total Accounts Payable	$ 3,996.28

DISTRIBUTION:

Postage	$ 51.29
Telephone & Telegraph	389.91
Travel	1,310.69
Office Equipment	1,104.69
Office Supplies	233.82
Books & Subscriptions	35.29
Miscellaneous Expense	35.01
Insurance	37.28
Printing	100.12
NEW SOUTH Printing	481.20
Consultant Service Program	46.31
Southern Leadership Project	170.67
	$ 3,996.28

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

SCHEDULE OF ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE
June 30, 1961

Georgia Conference on Education Opportunities	$ 812.54
Los Angeles Commission on Human Relations	20.00
Rhode Island Commission Against Discrimination	24.00
Total Accounts Receivable	$ 856.54

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REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT
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FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Accountant's Certificate

We have examined the financial statement of the Southern Regional Council, Inc., for the year ended December 31, 1961. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion the accompanying statements taken from the full audit present fairly the financial position of the Southern Regional Council, Inc., at December 31, 1961, and the results of its operations for the year then ended.

Daniel E. Harrison

Daniel E. Harrison
Registered Public Accountant

Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

BALANCE SHEET
December 31, 1961

ASSETS

Funds toward future obligations, 1962-63:			
Cash in Bank - Checking		$ 84,745.60	
Cash in Bank - Savings		60,000.00	
Investment in Trust Fund (Trust Company of Georgia)	$ 63,232.00		
Income reinvested	504.36	63,736.36	$208,481.96
Inventory, Pamphlets		$ 1,500.00	
Office Equipment		8,255.94	9,755.94
Total Assets			$218,237.90

LIABILITIES

Due to Special Projects, 1962-63:		
Southern History Project	$ 2,800.00	
Consultant Service Program	1,691.52	
Registration and Voting Survey	1,552.91	
Fellowship of the Concerned	(6,185.40)	
Southern Leadership Project	36,990.61	
Special Fund for Educational Projects	8,057.08	
New Orleans Project	2,169.07	
Research in Student Adjustment	3,733.24	$ 50,809.03
Special Grants-in-Aid to State Councils on Human Relations	$ 38,984.83	
Advance Appropriations, General Operations: 1962-63	38,000.00	
Reserve Fund	63,736.36	
Obligations Outstanding	5,010.83	145,732.02
Total Liabilities		$196,541.05
Excess of Assets over Liabilities		21,696.85
Total		$218,237.90

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSES - GENERAL OPERATIONS
January 1, 1961 to December 31, 1961

INCOME

Contributions:		
Foundations	$142,500.00	
Labor & Other Organizations	1,107.85	
Churches	4,025.00	
Individuals	763.23	$148,396.08
Interest Income	800.00	
Dividends on Securities	888.30	
NEW SOUTH Subscriptions	5,053.80	
Sale of Literature	964.70	
Associate Members' Dues	38.00	
Overhead from project grants	4,000.00	
Gain on Sale of Securities	14,269.89	26,014.69
Total Income		$174,410.77

EXPENSES

Salaries	$ 97,419.28	
Social Security Taxes	2,554.67	
Travel	9,685.01	
Telephone and Telegraph	4,909.06	
Executive Committee and Annual Meetings	5,588.51	
Consultants' Fees	3,734.70	
Books and Subscriptions	1,801.53	
Office Supplies	3,119.20	
NEW SOUTH Postage	1,781.84	
NEW SOUTH Printing	7,780.20	
Postage	1,603.32	
Printing	6,411.61	
Rent	7,200.00	
Accounting	920.00	
Georgia Sales Tax	9.19	
Miscellaneous	1,811.41	
Group Hospitalization Insurance	475.53	
Group Term Life Insurance	471.48	
Liability Insurance	283.51	
Retirement Insurance	1,947.58	
Employment Survey	1,000.00	
Total Expenses		160,507.63
Excess of Income over Expenses		$ 13,903.14

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS - SPECIAL PROJECTS
January 1, 1961 to December 31, 1961

SOUTHERN HISTORY PROJECT

RECEIPTS

Field Foundation, Inc.	$4,000.00

DISBURSEMENTS

Research Grant	1,200.00
Balance, December 31, 1961	$2,800.00

CONSULTANT SERVICE PROGRAM

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1961	$7,074.66
Travel Refunds	1.20
Total Receipts	$7,075.86

DISBURSEMENTS

Consultants' Fees	$2,380.00	
Travel and Communication	3,004.34	
Total Disbursements		5,384.34
Balance, December 31, 1961		$1,691.52

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS - SPECIAL PROJECTS
January 1, 1961 to December 31, 1961

REGISTRATION AND VOTING SURVEY

Balance, December 31, 1961 (No change during the year)	$1,552.91

FELLOWSHIP OF THE CONCERNED

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1961		$ 318.78
John Hay Whitney Foundation	$1,000.00	
Phelps-Stokes Fund	1,000.00	
Travel Refund	13.00	
Materials	11.00	2,024.00
Total Receipts		$2,342.78

DISBURSEMENTS

Regional Workshop	$8,444.88	
Materials	20.10	
Travel and Communication	63.20	
Total Disbursements		8,528.18
Excess of Disbursements over Receipts		($6,185.40)

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS - SPECIAL PROJECTS
January 1, 1961 to December 31, 1961

SOUTHERN LEADERSHIP PROJECT

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1961		$31,366.55
Rockefeller Brothers Fund	$40,000.00	
Travel Refund	17.40	40,017.40
Total Receipts		$71,383.95

DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries	$11,239.54	
Travel and Communication	4,736.52	
Office Expense	1,193.54	
Printing and Distribution	4,173.85	
Consultants' Fees	5,950.00	
Consultants' Travel	3,099.89	
Overhead	4,000.00	
Total Disbursements		34,393.34
Balance, December 31, 1961		$36,990.61

SPECIAL FUND FOR EDUCATIONAL PROJECTS

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1961		$8,784.24

DISBURSEMENTS

United Church Women, Georgia	$127.16	
United Church Women, Florida	200.00	
Quaker House, Atlanta	200.00	
Alabama Council on Human Relations	200.00	
Total Disbursements		727.16
Balance, December 31, 1961		$8,057.08

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS - SPECIAL PROJECTS
January 1, 1961 to December 31, 1961

NEW ORLEANS PROJECT

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1961		$ 4,870.44
Edgar Stern Family Fund	$6,279.00	
Taconic Foundation	3,000.00	9,279.00
Total Receipts		$14,149.44

DISBURSEMENTS

Printing, Promotion, Mailing, etc.	$10,933.53	
Travel and Communication	1,046.84	
Total Disbursements		11,980.37
Balance, December 31, 1961		$ 2,169.07

RESEARCH IN STUDENT ADJUSTMENT

RECEIPTS

New World Foundation	$7,500.00

DISBURSEMENTS

Consultants' Fees	$1,750.00	
Travel and Communication	1,609.26	
Revolving Fund for Research Materials	407.50	
Total Disbursements		3,766.76
Balance, December 31, 1961		$3,733.24

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
AID TO INDEPENDENT STATE COUNCILS ON HUMAN RELATIONS
January 1, 1961 to December 31, 1961

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1961	$41,500.00
Field Foundation (1961-62)	50,000.00
Total Receipts	$91,500.00

DISBURSEMENTS

Alabama Council on Human Relations		$ 5,812.50	
Arkansas Council on Human Relations		5,200.00	
Florida Council on Human Relations		5,002.03	
Georgia Council on Human Relations		8,500.00	
Houston (Texas) Council on Human Relations		1,500.00	
Kentucky Council on Human Relations		750.00	
North Carolina Council on Human Relations		5,700.00	
South Carolina Council on Human Relations		6,000.00	
Tennessee Council on Human Relations		5,600.00	
Virginia Council on Human Relations		6,300.00	
Discretionary Fund	$1,150.64		
Advance toward 1962 Grants-in-Aid	1,000.00	2,150.64	
Total Disbursements			52,515.17
Balance, December 31, 1961			$38,984.83

JOB DESCRIPTIONS
Southern Regional Council

January 1961

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR -- Responsible to the Board and Executive Committee for staff implementation of all policies, administrative and program.

DIRECTOR OF FIELD ACTIVITIES -- To supervise and coordinate the field services of the Council, in cooperation with the Chief Consultant, the Director of Women's Work, the Southern Leadership Project Director, the Associate for Program Development, and other appropriate staff persons. To advise and counsel with the leaders and staffs of the state organizations assisted by the Council, and to evaluate the effectiveness of their programs. Through travel, correspondence, and other communication, to follow community developments over the South and recommend such field services as will contribute to the progress of human relations. To represent the Council on occasion at the request of the Director, and to arrange for suitable members of the Council's Board to fill requests for speakers. To maintain such records, prepare such reports, and arrange such meetings on field activity as may be necessary.

DIRECTOR OF RESEARCH -- To be responsible for originating, planning, and implementing appropriate research, surveys, and fact-finding efforts within SRC's field of interest. To supervise the acquisition and maintenance of reference materials by the Research Assistant and other personnel of the Research Department. To prepare such manuscripts, articles, staff memoranda, etc., as may be agreed upon. To relate the SRC to appropriate programs and personnel in the field of academic or action research. To participate, as a senior professional staff member, in overall staff planning and decision-making.

DIRECTOR OF INFORMATION -- To serve as editor of the Council's magazine, New South, and to be responsible for subscriptions, billings, printing, and other administrative details of the publication. To prepare or supervise the preparation of information materials, publications lists, news releases and related items. To supervise the servicing of information requests and the distribution of SRC materials. To maintain contact with the daily, weekly, and periodical press, radio, and television. To keep such records and prepare such reports on information services as may be required.

SECRETARY-TREASURER -- To be responsible for all bookkeeping records, including receipts, disbursements, payroll and tax records with filing of tax forms and payment of taxes; for all banking of Council's money; for purchases of office supplies and equipment and for payment of all the Council's obligations including checking of invoices and preparation of checks. With the help of auditor, to make financial reports to contributors and to SRC Board and committees.

To keep permanent records of the Council, including records of Board membership, minutes of meeting and all matters pertaining to SRC members. To be responsible for office management, supervision of clerical assistants and for providing clerical and stenographic help needed by the professional staff including employment of such people as may be needed, subject to approval by the Executive Director.

EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT -- To assist the Executive Director in the general administration of the Council's affairs. To aid in the preparation of such reports, requests for financial aid, agendas, minutes, and correspondence as the Director may prescribe. To arrange the details of certain meetings, conferences, and handling of special visitors. In consultation with the Secretary-Treasurer, to prepare certain fiscal analyses and reports for the use of staff, committees, and the Board. To facilitate the work of such special committees as Finance and Nominating. Under the direction of the Executive Director, to coordinate the efforts of the staff in instituting and carrying out such administrative procedures as may be prescribed.

DIRECTOR OF WOMEN'S WORK -- To administer, in conformity with the broad policy of the Southern Regional Council, a program relating activities of Church women and women's groups to the concerns of the Southern Regional Council. That part of the program dealing with the Church women and with other Church bodies is to have a high degree of autonomy as befits a relationship with Church connected bodies.

To travel widely to gatherings of Church people and women's organizations. To be in frequent contact personally and by correspondence with organizational leaders in the various denominational groups; to prepare special materials for use by these bodies; and to assist with advice and information on various religious and women's programs akin to the purposes of the Southern Regional Council. In

addition, and specifically, to assist the Fellowship of the Concerned and any similar special organization of its kind.

To promote state or regional meetings of women, whether Church-connected or not, with a view to enlisting their aid in support of the Council's principles.

RESEARCH ASSISTANT -- Under the supervision of the Research Director, to perform such fact-finding and research as may be required. To assemble, classify, and maintain reference files drawn from newspaper reports, periodicals, Census publications, and other reference materials. To handle mail requests for information. To conduct occasional mail surveys of race relations practices in such fields as municipal employment, professional associations, public libraries, and recreation facilities. To provide technical assistance to community self-surveys. To write occasional articles for New South.

CHIEF CONSULTANT (Part-time) -- In cooperation with the Director and the Field Director, to recruit and direct the use of skilled professional persons as consultants to public or private leadership in Southern states and communities. To coordinate consultant services to the staffs and boards of state organizations assisted by the Council. To participate in the planning and evaluation of the Council's program, particularly those activities involving field work.

ASSOCIATE FOR PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT (Part-time) -- To counsel with the Director and other professional staff members on strategies and programs calculated to advance the purposes of the Council. To cooperate with the Field Director and the Chief Consultant in the planning and execution of workshops and other field activities. When requested, to represent the Council at meetings or in interviews with local opinion leaders.

SOUTHERN LEADERSHIP PROJECT DIRECTOR -- To develop and supervise activities directed at the segments of Southern leadership concerned with the preservation of educational and economic institutions. To assist, inform and stimulate leaders of business, education, law enforcement, public officials and others in dealing with the orderly desegregation of public facilities. This is to be done, largely within the framework of practical self-interest, relying primarily on consultation, visitation, conferences and the preparation of special materials designed to inform and stimulate positive action among the leadership group. The project director works closely with the director

of field activities, and through the executive director, coordinates his own efforts with those of research, information, and other regular departments of the Council. Special consultants may, on occasion, be employed to assist the project director.

OFFICE STAFF

SECRETARY TO THE DIRECTOR -- To perform all normal secretarial duties for the Director, serve as secretary to the Council, maintain central office files, and record the proceedings of the annual, executive committee, and other official meetings.

ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARY, RESEARCH -- To perform all normal secretarial duties for the Director of Research and to serve as his assistant in the preparation of certain research materials, the answering of requests for information and related duties.

MAIL AND MIMEOGRAPH SUPERVISOR -- To be responsible for the mail, mimeographing, and related needs of the Council; to supervise the work force required for this operation and to be responsible for the operation and maintenance of the required equipment. This position is under the direction of the Executive Assistant.

CIRCULATION CLERK - NEW SOUTH -- To be responsible, under the supervision of the Director of Information, for all records, subscriptions and related matters in the distribution of New South.

The two additional secretaries and the receptionist perform the normal duties for these positions:

Secretary to the Director of Field Activities

Secretary to the Director of Information and the Director of Women's Work

Receptionist

Nominating Com 1961

Same ltr. to Dr. H. Franklin Williams
Univ. of Miami

April 25, 1961

Dr. Harry V. Richardson
President
Interdenominational Theological Center
671 Beckwith Street, S. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Dr. Richardson:

At the last meeting of the Executive Committee it was voted to ask you to serve on the Nominating Committee for 1961. This Committee is charged with bringing in nominations for officers and Board vacancies at the next annual meeting. The staff solicits suggestions from all Members and ~~has~~ prepares a list of possible candidates for the Committee, which will meet one time in the fall.

The second person named by the Executive Committee was Dr. H. Franklin Williams; the members ~~appointed~~ elected at the Annual Meeting, all of whom have agreed to serve, were Mr. Thomas W. Young, Dr. Stephen J. Wright and Dr. Raymond M. Wheeler. Irving Carlyle, Robert M., D. Foster

The Nominating Committee of the Council always has a particularly valuable service to perform, and I hope you will write that we can count on your service.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

PA/mf

UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI
CORAL GABLES 46, FLORIDA

OFFICE OF VICE PRESIDENT AND
DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS

May 2, 1961

Mr. Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N.W. - Room 201
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Paul,

I shall be happy to serve on the Nominating Committee for the Southern Regional Council. I feel that my knowledge of personalities in the south is perhaps a little limited for this purpose, but I shall do my utmost to fulfill the obligation.

I shall make every effort to be available when you call upon me for the meeting in the fall.

Cordially yours,

H. Franklin Williams

H. Franklin Williams
Vice President

HFW:emp

JAMES M. DABBS, PRESIDENT
ALBERT W. DENT, VICE PRESIDENT
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A Council to attain the ideals and practices of equal opportunity for all peoples in the South

MEMORANDUM August 21, 1961

To: Members of the Nominating Committee:

Thomas W. Young, Norfolk Journal and Guide
Raymond Wheeler, M. D., Charlotte, N. C.
H. V. Richardson, President, Interdenominational Theological Seminary
H. Franklin Williams, Vice President, University of Miami
Stephen J. Wright, President, Fisk University

From: Paul Anthony, Executive Assistant

The Nominating Committee is required to meet at least thirty days before the Annual Meeting, which will be held this year on November 8 and 9. Following are three appropriate dates:

Thursday, September 28
Wednesday, October 4
Thursday, October 5

Will you please indicate on the enclosed card all of the dates on which it will be possible for you to attend. The meeting will be held at the SRC office, beginning at 1:30 p.m. on the date selected. Therefore, if necessary, it should be possible for you to come into Atlanta in the morning and leave that evening. As soon as the cards are returned, we will notify you of the date on which, hopefully, all of the members of the committee can be present.

Several weeks before the meeting we will send you material on the board, its present make-up and distribution, suggestions for new members, and other information which you should have before you.

The enclosed memorandum is being sent to all Members of the Council.

We hope that all members of the committee can be present. If none of the above dates is possible, would you please indicate one or more other dates during that period.

The Council will, of course, be responsible for all expenses incurred. We will be happy to send travel advances, make hotel reservations, or otherwise be of help.

JAMES M. DABBS, PRESIDENT
ALBERT W. DENT, VICE PRESIDENT
MARION A. WRIGHT, VICE-PRESIDENT
JOSEPHINE WILKINS, VICE-PRESIDENT
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MEMORANDUM August 21, 1961

To: Members of the Council

From: Paul Anthony, Executive Assistant

The dates for the Annual Meeting of the Council have been set as directed by the By-Laws, and approved by the Executive Committee. They are Wednesday and Thursday, November 8 and 9. Details of the meeting will be sent to you later. We did, however, want you to know of these dates well in advance. Please place them on your calendar and plan to attend if at all possible. The Council will, of course, be responsible for all expenses involved.

The Nominating Committee will meet in late September to select officers and members of the Executive Committee. The Nominating Committee will also have before it the matter of re-election of Members of the class of 1961, and the filling of vacancies: the By-Laws require that at least five new Members be elected each year.

In this regard, we would like to have your suggestions for new Members. If you will send your suggestions to me, I will see that they are presented to the Nominating Committee. Please include as much information as possible about the person or persons whom you recommend.

The Nominating Committee consists of:

Thomas W. Young, Norfolk Journal and Guide
Raymond Wheeler, M. D., Charlotte, N. C.
H. V. Richardson, President, Interdenominational Theological Seminary
H. Franklin Williams, Vice President, University of Miami
Stephen J. Wright, President, Fisk University

We hope to see you on November 8th.

PA/sm

August 30, 1961

Dr Crawford Brock
Harbin Clinic
Rome, Georgia

Dear Dr. Brock:

At the request of Mr Joseph Hass we are sending you the enclosed material on the Southern Regional Council, and several of our recent publications.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

PA/mbb
cc: Joseph Haas

Enc.: School Desegregation:
The First Six Years.
Racial Violence and Law
Enforcement
SRC- Origin and Aims
SRC - Officers and Board
SRC - Special Report
The Freedom Ride - May, 1961

August 30, 1961

LWD PR

Trip to Alabama, August 23

Suggest we add the name of Nat Welch to board possibilities list. He's a businessman in Auburn, has excellent political connections with the Hill-Sparkman-Fulson people, and worked in the finance division of the Kennedy campaign last fall. He is a long time member of the Alabama Council and is currently working hard at raising funds for the ACHR. He has organized an effective racial study group in Alabama, but apparently remains a leading citizen there.

In view of the ACHR being without staff for several months, I extended their matching fund deadline to October 1. They are working hard, and should meet it.

September 5, 1961

MEMO TO: The Members of the Nominating Committee

FROM : Paul Anthony

Since all members can be present on Thursday, September 28th, that date has been selected for the Nominating Committee meeting. The meeting will be held at the SRC office, beginning at 2:00 P. M., and should end no later than 5:00 P.M.

Please let us know if we can be of help in providing travel advances, reservations, or the like.

Further, information on the meeting will be sent to you as soon as possible.

We look forward to seeing you on the 28th.

TO: H. V. Richardson

Raymond Wheeler
H. Franklin Williams
Stephen J. Wright
Thomas W. Young

File
Board
Nominating Committee
1961

September 6, 1961

Mr. Lee B. Thomas, Jr.
Executive Vice President
Vermont American Corporation
Post Office Box 1475
Louisville 2, Kentucky

Dear Lee:

Thanks for the suggestions in your letter of the 1st. These names will be put before the Nominating Committee. I quite agree with you that we need more representation of businessmen on our board. This matter will also be called to the attention of the Committee.

If questions arise, we'll contact you further. Otherwise, we look forward to seeing you in November.

Sincerely yours,

Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

PA:mbb

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September 1, 1961

Mr. Paul Anthony, Executive Assistant
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, Northwest
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Paul:

I suggest the Nominating Committee consider:

David Scull
Turnpike Press
Arlington, Virginia

Rufus Stout
Air Reduction Chemical & Carbide Co.
Louisville, Kentucky

Hibbard Thatcher
Family Service
Nashville, Tennessee

David Scull is a highly imaginative businessman. He was on the Board of Nationwide Insurance Company. He is a Quaker.

Hibbard Thatcher is a man with spiritual leadership ability. He is a dedicated social worker.

Rufus Stout is personnel manager of one of our major manufacturing companies in Louisville. Quite an accomplishment for a Negro.

David Scull is known to me only by reputation. He was discussed as a possibility at our last Annual meeting. Employment opportunities will be a bigger challenge as time goes on. Either he or Rufus Stout could provide insight from the viewpoint of businessmen in predominately white businesses.

Hibbard Thatcher and Rufus Stout are close personal friends. I would be happy to give more detailed information if you are seriously interested in either of them. Either one would be fine additions to the Board.

I hope you will consider some businessmen as possibilities at this time. This viewpoint seems a little weak on the Board.

I look forward to seeing you in November.

Very truly yours,

Lee B. Thomas, Jr.
Executive Vice President

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HAAS, HOLLAND & ZINKOW

HERBERT J. HAAS (1905-1953)

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ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA

September 8, 1961

Mr. Paul Anthony, Executive Assistant
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Paul:

As you can see from the enclosed, Dr. R. Crawford Brock has agreed to serve as a member of the Board of Southern Regional Council. Please tell me what the details of this are so that I can give him further information, and hopefully, so that he can attend the next meeting.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Joe

JFH:RS
Enc.

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LAW OFFICES
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September 8, 1961

Dr. R. Crawford Brock
The Harbin Clinic
Rome, Georgia

COPY

Dear Crawford:

I am delighted that you have agreed to serve on the Board of Directors of Southern Regional Council, and I am confident that you will find that it is a most stimulating and enlightening experience.

I am confident that you will be approved for membership at the November meeting, and would like for you to plan to attend the banquet on the evening of November 8th, and the Program Session on the morning of the 9th of November, as my guest. I'll give you further details as they develop.

Best to Frances,

Cordially yours,

JFH:RS

CRAWFORD BROCK, M. D.
THE HARBIN CLINIC
ROME, GEORGIA

August 30, 1961

Mr. Joseph F. Haas
Law Offices
First National Bank Building
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Joe:

In reading over the information you sent me, I am glad to be a member of the Southern Regional Council and assist in any way I can in this difficult time.

I sincerely hope I can be of some help to you.

Sincerely yours,

Crawford Brock

R. Crawford Brock, M. D.

RCB:mk

September 15, 1961

MEMO TO: Members of the Nominating Committee

Harry V. Richardson H. Franklin Williams
Raymond Wheeler Stephen J. Wright
Thomas W. Young

FROM : Paul Anthony - Executive Assistant

RE : Background Information for the meeting of the Committee
(September 28 - 2:00 P. M. - SRC Office)

The Committee will select nominees for election or re-election of:

a) all officers of the Council
b) all members of the Executive Committee
c) twenty members of the class of 1965

All members of the class of 1961, whose terms expire this year, are eligible for re-election. However, the By-Laws of the Council require that at least five new members be elected each year. There now exists one vacancy. Therefore, at least four members of the class of 1961 must be dropped in order that this requirement be met.

Enclosed are: a list of current officers and members of the Council; a separate listing of the class of 1961 showing state, vocation, race and length of service; and, an analysis by state, vocation and race of all current members. When the Committee meets, you will be provided with a listing and appropriate data on all suggestions for new members.

We look forward to seeing you on the 28th, and trust that you will contact us if there is anything we can do to make your trip more convenient.

AN ANALYSIS OF CURRENT SRC MEMBERS:

Distribution by State:

Alabama	- 6
Arkansas	- 3
Florida	- 6
Georgia	- 13
Kentucky	- 4
Louisiana	- 3
Mississippi	- 4
North Carolina	- 14
Oklahoma	- 1
South Carolina	- 3
Tennessee	- 8
Texas	- 8
Virginia	- 6

Distribution by Profession:

Clergy	- 12
Educators	- 25
Businessmen	- 11
Writers	- 4
Lawyers	- 6
Social Workers	- 3
Labor	- 2
Women Organizations	- 7
Government	- 2
Media	- 4
Physicians	- 1
Unclassified	- 2

Distribution by Race

Negro	- 31
Caucasian	- 48

Exact representation by states, vocations, or races is probably neither desirable or practical. The Nominating Committee, however, may wish to take into account that Georgia and North Carolina seem somewhat over-represented; that Arkansas, Louisiana, and South Carolina are somewhat below the norm; and that educators (a number of whom are also clergymen), now contribute more than one-fourth of our membership. Although not shown by the tabulation, we are in fact weak in representation from the smaller cities and rural areas.

CLASS OF 1961

Name	State	Vocation	Race	Length of Service
DOGGETT, Caxton	Florida	Clergy	C	1956
DUNCAN, S. E.	N. C.	Educator	N	1957
FOSTER, Luther H.	Alabama	Educator	N	1955
GASTON, A. G.	Alabama	Businessman	N	1958
GOLDEN, Harry L	N. C.	Writer	C	1955
GOMILLION, C. G.	Alabama	Educator	N	1952
GRAY, Arthur	Alabama	Educator	N	1958
GREEN, Paul E.	N. C.	Writer	C	1957
GRIFFIN, John A.	Florida	Educator	C	1945
HAAS, Joseph F.	Georgia	Lawyer	C	1956
HAMILTON, Grace T.	Georgia	Soc. Worker	N	1954
HARRIS, M. LaFayette	Georgia	Clergy	N	1955
HINES, John E.	Texas	Clergy	C	1959
HUNTER, Duncan	Alabama	Clergy	C	1955
JOHNSON, Guy B	N. C.	Educator	C	1951
KEHRER, E. T.	Georgia	Labor	C	1958
KIMBALL, Mrs. Austin	Florida	Women's Organization	C	1957
LOOBY, Z. A.	Tennessee	Lawyer	N	1944-48,1953
MANTINBAND, Charles	Mississippi	Clergy	C	1949
MASON, Vivian Carter	Virginia	Women's Organization	N	1959

September 21, 1961

Mr. Herbert M. Davidson, Editor
Daytona Beach Evening News
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mr. Davidson:

Please excuse the long delay in answering your letter concerning the Annual Meeting. We, too, are very sorry that you find it impossible to attend. I recall that the presidential election prevented your attending last year and was hopeful that you could be present this year. Certainly, however, this does not have a bearing on your continued membership. (In fact, since you are in the class of 1964, the matter of your election does not even come up until that year.)

Your suggestion for membership will be passed on to the Nominating Committee when they meet later this month.

We have followed the encouraging developments of Daytona with much interest - and a keen awareness of the role of the News-Journal.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

PA:mbb

Daytona Beach Evening News
DAYTONA BEACH MORNING JOURNAL
The Sunday News-Journal

OFFICE OF THE EDITOR DAYTONA BEACH, FLORIDA

Sept. 6, 1961

Mr. Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Anthony:

It now looks as though I shall not be able to make an early November date in Atlanta. This will be the second year in succession I've missed and I regret it deeply; I can't tell you how much the council means to me in inspiration and I hope my membership will be continued.

I'd like to suggest for membership Mrs. Frances Miles, 12 Azalea Dr., Ormond Beach. She has been active in interracial work here. Recently widowed, she has considerable time on her hands.

With kindest regards,

Sincerely,

Herbert M. Davidson
Editor

Herbert M. Davidson/nb

P.S. This is the second day of integration at Volusia Ave. School here. So far, so good. Official and police cooperation has been magnificent. The newspaper played it way down but we did publish the enclosed editorial this morning.

Daytona Beach Morning Journal Wed., Sept. 6, 1961

Editorial

The Link Of Law And Order

AN AIR of confidence and calm, ruffled only by the usual flurry that attends school opening, filled the atmosphere of this city yesterday morning.

It was going just as Chief Folsom said it would: "We don't expect any disturbance in this community."

And there was none. The newest of the new students to enter Volusia Ave. Elementary School, two little Negro girls, slipped quietly into the west entrance and entered their classroom, and they became candidates for more education in the same manner as their classmates.

The city of Daytona Beach had too much pride to have it otherwise.

It matched the example set by Atlanta last week.

So did Fort Lauderdale and Dallas, and, this time, Little Rock.

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QUIETLY, IN DIGNITY, the South is letting the World know, in this opening of a school term, that it is refusing to bow any more to the agitators; refusing to let its name be sullied by violent resistance to a seven year old court decree. It has had more than enough of the pain of being held up as a bad example of America's heritage of democracy. It has had enough of mob scenes—of adults defying law and order before the eyes of children who are being required to study and honor it in their classrooms.

Tuesday's event in Daytona Beach shows what can happen when there is cooperation among people charged with public responsibility.

In Daytona Beach, it didn't require another court order to comply with the 1954 decision. The School Board, applying existing law, voted to admit the two children to the school to which their parents applied. There was no reason not to do so, and the board had the dignity to approve the application without trying to find reason for dissent.

With the decision made, the city administration prepared to back it up. The Police Dept. made ready for any eventuality. The office of Sheriff Thursby gave full cooperation. The State Highway Patrol provided its outlying patrol service.

Together, these protectors of society made a link of law and order that excluded any possible trouble makers from the inner circle.

If the seeds of trouble were being broadcast by any dissenters, they fell on barren ground Tuesday.

The same link of law and order is ready for Wednesday and all the days ahead.

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ACTUALLY, THOUGH, the main credit for the quiet of Tuesday is due to the community and its citizens, and to the new mood that protectively is blanketing the South. Common sense, reason, deeply felt concern for the state of the World is extinguishing the old fires of provincialism. The people now are more concerned about the larger interests of mankind —of the certainty of the demand for dignity among the long oppressed peoples of the World which must be directed by the U.S. if it is not to be answered by the Communists. The people of the South are becoming convinced now that a good director must set an example for his followers.

If we would direct these masses of people into accepting the democratic principles of a free society, then we know we ourselves have to practice them.

It is our one best hope of winning enough people to our side so that the Communists will know we are not in a minority—not a target for H-bombs in order to wipe out our resistance.

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SELF INTEREST in another realm also is impelling the South to adopt the new mood, and it must be admitted that it played a part in events here Tuesday.

We know that if our community is marked by racial disorders, it would discourage industry from settling here. It would discourage it from considering any of Volusia County, and even any part of Central Florida, especially if trouble makers invaded us from the outside.

We need that industry—all of Central Florida needs it. We can't afford to have it driven away by a handful of dissenters.

We need the opportunity to become directors of an example of democratic principles at work in the battle against communism.

We can be grateful to that link of law and order which said an emphatic "No" to any possible troublemakers. There is so very much at stake within its circle.

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A Council to attain, through research and action, the ideals and practices of equal opportunity for all peoples in the South.

INTEROFFICE MEMO

Date September 25, 1961
(Dictated September 20)

To: LWD From: PR

Subject: ~~Dictaphone~~ Potential board members from Mississippi and Louisiana.

From Mississippi some appropriate possibilities for the board would be:

1- The Rev. Murray Cox
2316 - 22nd Avenue
Gulfport, Miss.
(Retired clergyman, Chairman of State Advisory Committee.)

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2- Dr. A. D. Beittel
President
Tougaloo College
Jackson, Miss.
(A former chairman of the old Alabama Division of SRC).

These would be good men. It strikes me, however, that we have no Negro board member from Mississippi. Both of these are white. I will continue to look around.

From Louisiana, all of the following are from New Orleans, but are good possibilities:

1- Mrs. N. H. Sand
1447 Granada
New Orleans
(Housewife, president of SOS, is or has been an officer in PTA and AAUW.)

2- Mrs. Betty Wisdom
413 Hillary St.
New Orleans
(~~Housewife~~ Member SOS board, niece of Federal Judge John Minor Wisdom, active in the Independent

Womens organization and other civic groups.
Moves in political and social elite circles.)

3 — Mrs. Rosa Kellner (White)
1701 Arabella Street
New Orleans 15, La.
(Member SOS board and one of founders of the organization. Former Chiarman Urban League Board. Wealthy; well connected; old family. Brother is board chairman of Delta Air Lines, etc.)

4 — Jack Nelson. (White)
Address:

(Courageous, out-spoken young attorney. Catholic member SOS board. Vice-Chairman Catholic Human Relations Council and National Vice Chairman National Catholic Conference for Interracial Justice. Has defended Goldfinch and others in sit-in case and is attorney for Negro litigants attempting to enter Tulane.)

5 - Dan Thompson (Negro)
(Professor of Social Science, Dillard Univ.;
Chairman of Coordinating Council of Negro Organizations.)

6 - Dr. Leonard Burns (Negro)
Address:

(Chiropodist. Catholic officer of United Clubs. Vice Chairman Catholic Human Relations Council.)

REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE
Presented By
THOMAS W. YOUNG, CHAIRMAN

Thomas W. Young
adopted by SRC 11/8/61

The Nominating Committee of 1961 consists of:
Dr. Raymond Wheeler, Charlotte, N. C.
H. V. Richardson, President, Interdenominational Theological Seminary
H. Franklin Williams, Vice President University of Miami
Stephen J. Wright, President, Fisk University
Thomas W. Young, ~~Editor~~ President, Norfolk Journal & Guide, Norfolk, Virginia

On September 28, 1961 this Committee met to select nominees for officers and members of the Southern Regional Council.

By unanimous vote, the Committee adopted the following slate of nominees to be presented at the Annual Meeting of the Council:

OFFICERS

President	James McBride Dabbs
Vice Presidents	Albert W. Dent Rufus E. Clement Marion A. Wright Miss Josephine Wilkins
Legal Counsel	Joseph F. Haas
Nominating Committee (two additional members appointed by Executive Committee)	Irving Carlyle Raymond Wheeler Thomas Young
Executive Committee (in addition to the President, vice presidents and Counsel)	The Reverend W. C. Brooke Paul R. Christopher John A. Griffin Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton H. Franklin Williams Stephen J. Wright Rabbi Jacog Rothschild Father Alexander O. Sigur John H. Wheeler

MEMBERS

Members of Class of 1961 -

Re-elected to Class of 1965:

Mrs. Vivian Carter Mason
The Reverend Caxton Doggett
Luther H. Foster
C. G. Gomillion
Arthur Gray
Paul E. Green
John A. Griffin
Joseph F. Haas
Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton
The Reverend John E. Hines
The Reverend Duncan Hunter
Guy B. Johnson
E. T. Kehrer
Mrs. Austin Kimball
Z. A. Looby
Rabbi Charles Mantinband

New Members Elected to Class of 1962:

The Reverend Theodore Gibson, Miami, Fla.

New Members Elected to Class of 1965:

Jack Nelson, Attorney, New Orleans, La.
The Reverend M. D. McCollom, Orangeburg, S. C.
Dr. A. D. Beittel, President, Tougaloo Christian College, Tougaloo, Miss.
~~Mrs. Vivian Brewer, Little Rock, Ark.~~

~~Andrew M. Secrest, Editor,~~ Cheraw (S.C.) Chronicle
The Reverend Kelly Smith, Nashville, Tennessee
David Scull, President, Turnpike Press, ~~Arlington~~ Annondale, Va.
~~Cody Fowler, Attorney, Tampa, Fla.~~
McNeil Smith, Attorney, Greensboro, N.C.

Alternates:

John Popham, Managing Editor, The Chattanooga (Tenn.) Times
Mrs. Mamie Williams, Miami, Fla.
Lucius Pitts, President, Miles College, Birmingham, Ala.
Rufus Stout, Personnel Manager, Air Reduction Chemical Co. Louisville, Kentucky
Dr. Crawford Brock, Harbin Clinic Rome, Georgia

415 N. Farish St.
Jackson 2, Miss.
October 1, 1962

Mr. Paul Anthony
Southern Council
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Mr. Anthony:

Thank you for your explanation on membership in the Southern Regional Council, Inc. I accept.

Please advise dates of November meeting and what year's class I am to represent. Materials of information on Council's program and activities will be helpful.

As a Council member, my representation should be -Founder-President Womanpower Unlimited, Jackson, Miss. (May 1961). The work of our movement is recorded in the Sept. 1962 issue of the Ladies Home Journal, Associate Editor Glenn White's article: "Where Does The Negro Go From Here?"

Cordially yours,

Clarie Collins Harvey

Mrs. Martin L. Harvey

Pending

October 3, 1961

Dr. Stephen J. Wright, President
Fisk University
Nashville 8, Tennessee

Dear Dr. Wright:

I want to thank you for sending us the copy of your speech in Detroit which I read over the week end. It is very good. I was, of course, especially glad to read your statement of opinion regarding Southern Regional Council.

May I also express my personal appreciation for the contribution you made at the Nominating Committee session last week. The slate which was chosen is an excellent one and you deserve much of the credit for it.

One fine decision of the committee was reached, however, without any assistance from you. As soon as you left you were nominated to one of the vacancies on the Executive Committee. I do hope that you will accept. I would value your counsel greatly.

Best wishes.

Sincerely yours,

Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director

LWD:mbb

FISK UNIVERSITY
NASHVILLE 8, TENNESSEE

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

September 12, 1961

Dr. Leslie Dunbar
Executive Director
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear Dr. Dunbar:

I thought you might be interested in seeing a copy of the attached speech, since I drew so heavily on information I have obtained from the Council over the years and also because of the allusion I made to the work of the Council.

Very cordially yours,

S. J. Wright
President

S J W
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Enclosure

Les — we used the last 2 graphs on New South back cover.

Board
Sing yes

October 4, 1961

Mrs. J. N. Rayzor
3207 Groveland Lane
Houston, Texas

Dear Mrs. Rayzor:

I received your letter of September 26 in time to put your suggestion before the Nominating Committee which met September 28. Because I know Jim Noland myself, I can well understand your enthusiasm in suggesting him for Council membership. The Committee considered him along with many others most carefully. It is, of course, not my place to report for the Committee or to explain its reasoning but it decided not to nominate Mr. Noland this year. I believe they were motivated chiefly by the desire to increase the representation of certain states.

Be assured that we shall keep your letter on file in order to make sure that your suggestion is placed before next year's Nominating Committee.

I look forward very much to seeing you next month at the Annual Meeting.

Sincerely yours,

Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director

LWD:mbb

Air Mail
Rec'd 9/27

Mrs. J. N. Rayzor

3207 Groveland Lane, Houston 19, Texas

Sept 26, 1961

Dear Mr. Dunlap.

If it isn't too late, I would like to submit the name of the Rev. James R. Nolan for election to the board of the S.B.C. I have gotten his consent to serve in the event that he is elected. He is a wonderful, dedicated Christian and would greatly to our board.

Sincerely
Pauline Rayzor -

Bring copy.
Incl.

Pending Board's Suggestions

October 5, 1961

Rabbi Charles Mantinband
P. O. Box 1326
Hattiesburg, Mississippi

Dear Rabbi Mantinband:

Leslie Dunbar asked me to respond to your note of the 28th.

I am happy to report to you that Dr. Beittel is one of the persons selected by the Nominating Committee. As you know, we customarily check with nominees to determine if they would accept membership if elected by the Council in November. In this case would you check - either in person or by mail - with Dr. Beittel for us? You may wish to share with him the enclosed list of the present members.

We look forward to seeing you in November

Sincerely yours,

Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

PA:mbb
Enc.

P. O. Box 1326
HATTIESBURG, MISSISSIPPI

DATE 9/28 196_'

FROM THE DESK OF
RABBI CHARLES MANTINBAND

Leslie Dunbar: —

Shalom!!

May I suggest that your Nominating Committee consider DR. A. D. BEITTEL, President of Tougaloo-Southern Christian College, Tougaloo Miss. for its membership

He was State President Alabama Council Human Relations, 10 years back when he was President of Talladega College -

Hope to be with Paul Rilling at the Gulf Coast meeting in October.

Sincerely

Chas M

I could use 10 - 12 copies of Thompson's "Case for Undergraduate" which is superb -

FISK UNIVERSITY
NASHVILLE 8, TENNESSEE

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

October 26, 1961

PA ✓
MBB-file

Dr. Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

My dear Dr. Dunbar:

I should have been prepared for the "gimmick" in the third paragraph of your gracious letter of October 3, in which you informed me of my nomination to the Executive Committee of the Council. In light of your very flattering letter and my deep personal conviction that the Southern Regional Council is one of the most effective organizations in its field, I have no alternative except to reply in the affirmative.

I enjoyed your meeting, as usual, and look forward to seeing you at the annual meeting.

Very cordially yours,

Steve

S. J. Wright
President

S J W
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MRS. JOE ROBINSON BREWER
BOX 314 ROUTE 1
SCOTT, ARKANSAS

October 10, 1961

Dear Mr. Dunbar:

I am deeply appreciative of your letter of October 3 and am especially grateful to the Nominating Committee for thinking of me, so favorably. Please thank them for me.

I have tried to think of every aspect of being advanced for membership of the Council for a four year term, and to date I have not been able to think of a single reason to decline but have thought of many reasons to accept. I would consider it a real honor to be a member of the Council and I would look forward happily to working with and for you and to learning much from you.

Thank you, too, for sending the various enclosures. I have found them of great interest and am pleased to have them in my files.

With all best wishes to you and to the Council -

Most sincerely,

Vivian L. Brewer

Mrs. Joe R. Brewer

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Atlanta, Georgia

Enc. SRC Aims and Origin
Board List
Annual Report of Exec. Dir. of SRC

Pending

October 3, 1961

Mrs. Joseph R. Brewer
Scott, Arkansas

Dear Mrs. Brewer:

I am writing to tell you that your name will be put before the Annual Meeting of the Southern Regional Council, November 8-9, for election as a member of the Council for a four year term. I hope very much that you will accept.

Council membership is now limited to eighty, and our by-laws require that at least five persons be newly elected each year. The Nominating Committee met last Thursday and you were one of the persons whom it decided to advance for membership. The Committee, incidentally, consisted this year of Harry Richardson, President of the Interdenominational Theological Seminary; Dr. Raymond Wheeler of Charlotte; Franklin Williams, Vice President of the University of Miami; Stephen Wright, President of Fisk; and Thomas Young, Managing Editor of the Norfolk Journal and Guide.

Council membership is not arduous. We look forward to members attending the Annual Meeting (to which expenses are paid), and we hope that they will manifest continuing interest in the work of the Council as well as pursuing their own local activities.

As you will note from one of the enclosures, we are somewhat under-represented now in Arkansas, having there only three members: Mrs. E. M. Sparling, Wiley Branton, and Colbert Cartwright. I am enclosing several items of information about the Council.

I hope you will let me know that you can accept if elected. With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director

LWD:mbb
Encl.

CONGREGATION B'NAI ISRAEL
P. O. BOX 1326
HATTIESBURG, MISSISSIPPI

RABBI
CHARLES MANTINBAND
808 MAMIE STREET

October 12, 1961

Mr. Paul Anthony,
Southern Regional Conference,
5 Forsyth St.,
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Paul:

Dr. A. D. Beittel, President of Tougaloo-Southern Christian College, Tougaloo, Miss., advises me that he will be highly complimented to serve on the membership Board of our Council. He should make a valuable addition.

Recently, Col. Muse visited here, and told me that there were some new aspects of our Annual Meeting next month, including a possible closing dinner meeting. It would help me in my planning, if I could know when our sessions open, and when exactly they will be over. I should like to miss nothing, and at the same time, make arrangements to continue my travel to some other destination.

Kindly advise. And tell Paul Rilling that I hope to see him at John Youngblut's meeting on the Gulf Coast on the 21st. It may be that Dr. Beittel will also be there.

Yours faithfully,

C Mantinband

Charles Mantinband

PENN COMMUNITY SERVICES, INCORPORATED
ST. HELENA ISLAND
FROGMORE, SOUTH CAROLINA

COURTNEY SICELOFF
DIRECTOR

October 13, 1961

Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, NW
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Paul:

Your letter arrived last Saturday, just as Marion Wright and I were taking off for one of our famous (or infamous) trips to New York. I am sorry that I have been delayed in writing to Mr. McCollom to sound him out about accepting SRC membership if elected. However, I am writing him today, and will let you know about the response. He is an able person.

We've just had a bearded Dane here for several days who mentioned that he had visited you in Atlanta. Elizabeth said he reported great admiration for the cultural and spiritual advantages of the Rilling-Anthony quarters.

Sincerely yours,

Courtney Siceloff

PA

PERSONS INVITED TO ACCEPT MEMBERSHIP
At the Annual Meeting, November 8, 1961

Class of 1965

Dr. A. D. Beittel
President
Tougaloo Southern Christian College
Tougaloo, Mississippi

Mrs. Vivion Brewer
Box 314
Route 1
Scott, Arkansas

Cody Fowler
Attorney
Citizens Building
Tampa 2, Florida

Lucius Pitts

The Rev. M. D. McCollom
191 Boulevard, N. E.
Orangeburg, South Carolina

John P. Nelson, Jr.
Attorney
702 Gravier Building
535 Gravier Street
New Orleans 12, Louisiana

David Scull
President
Turnpike Press
Annandale, Virginia

Andrew M. Secrest
Editor
The Cheraw Chronicle
Cheraw, South Carolina

The Rev. Kelly M. Smith
318 Eighth Avenue, North
Nashville, Tennessee

McNeill Smith
Attorney
700 Jefferson Street Bldg.
Greensboro, N. C.

Invited to Accept Vacancy Appointment - Class of 1962

The Rev. Theodore Gibson
The Christ Episcopal Church
3841 Hibiscus Street
Miami 33, Florida

November 22, 1961

The Rev. M. D. McCollom
191 Boulevard, N. E.
Orangeburg, South Carolina

Dear Mr. McCollom:

It is with great pleasure that I invite you to membership on the Southern Regional Council. At our recent Annual Meeting, it was unanimously voted that this invitation be extended and I was instructed to do so.

The Council has a membership of eighty-five Southerners drawn from twelve states, both races, the major religious faiths and denominations, and a wide range of occupations. The full membership meets only once a year to transact the important business of the organization and to formulate its guiding policies. Between Annual Meetings, an executive committee elected by the members meets four or more times to give the staff policy direction. Reports on program and finances are sent periodically to all members.

Thus membership on the Council imposes no burdensome or time-consuming duties. But it does provide a meaningful and informed voice in the direction of the Council, which we feel is performing a vital service to the growth of democracy and good human relations in the South. I greatly hope you will share this view of the Council's value and will do us the honor of accepting a position of leadership in it.

I am enclosing several documents which describe briefly the Council's history, aims, and recent activities. If you would like more information on any point, please call on me for it.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely,

Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director

LWD/hs
Enclosures

Attached letter written to:

John P. Nelson, Jr.
New Orleans, La.

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Orangeburg, S.C.

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November 29, 1961

Mr. A. G. Gaston, President
Booker T. Washington Insurance Company
5th Avenue at 17th Street, North
Birmingham, Alabama

Dear Mr. Gaston:

The By-Laws of the Southern Regional Council require that a certain number of new members be elected each year. With a fixed membership size, such as we have, this requirement causes the non-reelection of some members each year. I am sure that you will understand that to make these choices is a very hard task for the Nominating Committee, and later for the Council as a whole. This year, the Nominating Committee was strongly influenced in its recommendations by geographical considerations.

As a member of the Class of 1961, your term on the Council ended this year and I regret very much to inform you that you were not re-elected at the Annual Meeting on November 8. Your colleagues in the Council wished that I express to you their deep thanks for your past service, and their hope that you may some later year be willing to accept membership again. I add my personal endorsement of these expressions.

If you care to continue receiving Council publications, please let me know. I hope you will.

With best regards,

Sincerely yours,

Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director

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THE METHODIST CHURCH
THE ATLANTIC COAST AREA
MARQUIS LAFAYETTE HARRIS, RESIDENT BISHOP
250 AUBURN AVENUE, N. E.
ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA

November 30, 1961

Dr. Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Dr. Dunbar:

Thank you for your gracious letter of November 29.

It was a privilege to serve on the Southern Regional Council for some six or more years and I shall always be interested in its work.

With every good wish, I am

Sincerely yours,

Marquis L. Harris

Marquis L. Harris

MLH:VD

November 29, 1961

The Reverend Bishop M. Lafayette Harris
The Methodist Church
250 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Sir:

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With best regards,

Sincerely yours,

Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director

LWD:mbb

Pending

December 6, 1961

Mr. McNeill Smith
Smith, Moore, Smith, Schell & Hunter
Suite 700
Jefferson Standard Building
Greensboro, North Carolina

Dear McNeill:

I am very sure that our Board would want me to agree on a postponement of your acceptance of membership until such time as you feel free. I am personally very happy that you will be joining us.

On the other hand let me say that I read between the lines of your letter with some dismay. I infer that you are not planning to continue as chairman of the North Carolina Advisory Committee. You have done such a tremendous job that we can not help but feel regret that you may be ending it. I am sure that I would not be the first to say to you that the North Carolina Advisory Committee, under your leadership, has been miles ahead of any other. I do hope you will continue as a member.

Best wishes. We shall be ready to make your election formal (in our highly informal way) whenever you give the word.

Sincerely yours,

Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director

LWD:mbb

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HERBERT O. DAVIS

TELEPHONE BROADWAY 3-8265
P. O. BOX 868

December 2, 1961

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Leslie:

Thank you for your letter of November 29, 1961. I very much appreciate the invitation to belong to the Southern Regional Council. If it is possible for me to accept subject to a postponement of about sixty days, I will do so.

If you need an immediate acceptance I would prefer to decline at the present time.

My reason for postponement is that the tour of duty as chairman of the North Carolina Advisory Committee is about to expire if it has not already expired. We are in the midst of trying to revise the various reports so that a one volume edition of the report can be published under the title of "Equal Protection of the Laws in North Carolina". Some of the members of the North Carolina Advisory Committee, at least two years ago when the committee first began its work, were definitely of the opinion that the committee should not be the mouth piece for the Southern Regional Council or anyone particular group. Therefore, as a matter of good relations with other members of the committee and the general public of North Carolina I would prefer for there to be no official connection between me and the Southern Regional Council until after this report has gone to the printer and after my tour of duty as chairman of the North Carolina Advisory Committee has definitely terminated.

I would appreciate your advise on whether or not this conditional acceptance is possible if not I will purely understand.

Yours very truly,

McNeill Smith

McNS:gs

Our Lady Seat of Wisdom
Catholic Center

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ST. MARY BLVD. AT MCKINLEY STREET
MAIL: P. O. BOX 532, S.L.I. STATION

January 5, 1960

Mr. Harold C. Fleming
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Room 432, 63 Auburn Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Harold:

Thanks for your kind letter of December 21 and your Christmas and New Year greetings. May I reciprocate with prayers for the success of your work and of the staff. Will plan to be there for the meeting January 26.

God bless you and keep you.

Yours in Christ,

Father Alexander O. Sigur

Thy Kingdom Come

VIA AIR MAIL

January 11, 1960

Dr. John A. Griffin
Florida State University
Tallahassee, Florida

Dear John:

There is no paperback or cheaper edition of Dabbs's book; however, we have copies on consignment which we can sell at wholesale -- 40% off, or $2.40 per copy. Let me know if this can help you.

I do hope you can make the executive committee meeting; it would be good to see you.

Sincerely,

Harold C. Fleming
Executive Director

HCF/mf

THE FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY

TALLAHASSEE

DIRECTOR OF UNIVERSITY RELATIONS

January 8, 1960

Mr. Harold Fleming
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
63 Auburn Avenue, Northeast
Atlanta - 3, Georgia

Dear Harold:

Please let me know right away whether Mr. Dabbs' book, Our Southern Heritage, has been published in paperback or any cheaper edition and if so, by whom.

Thank you so much.

Sincerely,

John A.

John A. Griffin

JAG/gp

Thanks

I hope to be at your ex meeting.

January 13, 1960

Mr. J. Ray Shute
P. O. Box 24
Monroe, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Shute:

I greatly appreciated your letter and the copy of your article "The Square Root of One." I am this long in replying only because of the time required for your manuscript to circulate among other members of the staff.

John Constable, who is responsible for New South, feels, as I do, that the article is a fine and provocative -- if somewhat spine-chilling! -- statement of the ethical man's dilemma. He points out correctly, however, that the subject is far beyond New South's modest scope as a race relations publication. We are returning the manuscript with the hope that we can later persuade you to write something equally thought-provoking in the Council's special area of concern.

I am very glad we had a chance to read the article; it gives me added reason to look forward to meeting you. If your return trip from Mexico should bring you and Mrs. Shute anywhere near Atlanta, do plan to stop over and pay us a visit.

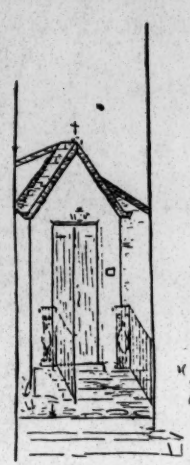
If that isn't possible, I will hope for another early opportunity to meet you, either here or in North Carolina. Meanwhile, my best regards and good wishes.

Sincerely,

Harold C. Fleming
Executive Director

HCF/mf

Encl. - 1. (MS)



All Souls' Chapel

336 East Franklin Street PO Box 24

Monroe, North Carolina

26 DEC. 1959

Dear Mr. Fleming:

Thanks for sending me the TV script on the "Louisville Story". As a former radio station owner, I found it "Good copy". I spoke in Louisville last May & had an opportunity to discuss this project with some of those directly interested in it.

I do not know if the attached MS would be the kind of thing that would be of use to the "New South". If so, feel free to use it, otherwise return it at your convenience. If you use it a word data on me: I am a former State Senator, former Mayor of Monroe & Pres. of NC League of Municipalities & former Pres. of the Unitarian Fellowship for Social Justice. Author of 15 books.

Mrs. Shute & I leave here the 8th for our usual winter in Mexico. I will speak every night (twice on Sundays) enroute, beginning the night of the 8th in Savannah, & every night for two weeks. I think I am booked for Ala. Council on Hum. Relations in Mobile or Fairhope – I won't know until I arrive in Fairhope, they are handling it nights from there.

Cordially,

J Ray Shute

Best Wishes for New Year!

J. Ray Shute
Monroe, Ga.

Mr. Harold A. Fildering
Southern Regional Council
63 Auburn Avenue, N.E.,
Atlanta 3, Ga.

January 29, 1960

Dr. John A. Griffin
Florida State University
Tallahassee, Florida

Dear John A:

It was good having you back among the faithful, old boy, and I especially appreciate your comments on the structure of the meeting.

I agree with you wholeheartedly that we need to devise a way to get the benefit of the committee members' thinking on program, avoiding at the same time so much staff reporting and the danger of involving policy people in details of program implementation.

Certainly, one thing that will help is the advance circulation of as much of the background information as possible. We will try to do more of this, although as you know there are problems; it takes time to write up this stuff along with our other essential daily functions, which means that we would have to start so far ahead that much of the material would be less than up-to-the-minute by the time of the meeting.

Another idea that has occurred to me is this: That, instead of trying to cover the waterfront in our discussion of program, the staff formulate in advance one or two or three questions of important program policy. (E. g., SRC's role in the case of displaced pupils as in Prince Edward County, our responsibilities toward national corporations active in the Southern economy, our proper type of activity in the fields of housing or employment, and so on.) We would define the problem(s) as concisely as possible in a memorandum distributed ahead of the meeting. Then the discussion would have

a specific focus and, hopefully, forethought by the committee members.

Your reaction to this idea, or any better ideas that this may suggest to you, will be much appreciated.

Of course, any such plan must be a two-way street; that is, the executive committee members will also have to make an effort for it to work. Ever since I have been with SRC, most of the members have come to the meetings with one dominant thought: "How soon can I get away?" And from noon on, the number of early departures grows at a formidable rate. If we are to have any satisfactory consideration of program -- which is, after all, a serious and complicated matter -- the members must come prepared to stay at least for the prescribed duration of the meeting.

Sincerely,

Harold C. Fleming
Executive Director

HCF/sm
Enc.

P. S. Check for your expenses enclosed.

blind cc: Josephine Wilkins

THE FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY

TALLAHASSEE

DIRECTOR OF UNIVERSITY RELATIONS

January 27, 1960

Mr. Harold Fleming
Southern Regional Council
63 Auburn Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Harold:

I certainly was glad to have a chance to get back into that really wonderful circle of dedicated people who make up the characters that you gather around you every weekday and periodically every three months. I am sorry to have been out of touch with the Council so much in the last six months, but I hope that this is over now.

I have one comment to make about the meeting in terms of structure. You gather together there a good deal of creative ability, and it's a pity not to use it a little more than you do at these Executive Committee meetings. I recognize the fact that the reports could be written and mailed to the Executive Committee members and perhaps never read. On the other hand, I do believe that you might think about the possibility of suggesting to your staff people that in order to make the best use of the time, which is all too brief of course, they might limit their presentations a little bit with a view to leaving time for the discussion of the ideas they present as well as other ideas pertinent to the business of the Council. I certainly find it completely informative to listen to these reports and find out what the Council is doing. Perhaps this indeed is the best way to use this Executive Committee's time--maybe not. I realize I'm not telling you anything new because you reflected your own sensitivity to this problem yesterday.

Sincerely,

John A.

John A. Griffin

JAG/gp

March 8, 1960

Miss Alice Cobb
The Waverly
Hendersonville, North Carolina

Dear Miss Cobb:

We have noted on all records the new address of which you recently advised me. I deeply regret the dislocation you have suffered as the result of the attacks on Highlander and trust that all of this will be righted eventually.

Meanwhile, we are glad to know that you expect to continue in the South.

Cordially,

Harold C. Fleming
Executive Director

HCF/mf

February 24, 1960

Dear Mr. Fleming:

Since we are in rather an uncertain state here at Highlander Folk School, will you please send all mail to me at my home address The Waverly, Hendersonville, North Carolina - I shall receive it promptly from there, whereas I am, and as soon as I'm settled will let you know when it is - I will be in the south, regardless.

Thank you - I don't want to miss a word from SNC - Sincerely Alice Cobb

Noted
will pass the word along
MF

March 14, 1960

Mr. Charles T. Steele
Executive Director
Louisville Urban League
608 W. Walnut Street
Louisville 3, Kentucky

Dear Charlie:

My thanks, again, for passing along the word to the Southern Urban Leagues; and herewith our check for the telephone expense.

We will be doing a re-run of the report on the student protests next week, and I will see that 25 copies are sent to you as soon as they are ready. I am glad you find it a useful document; we have been very pleased by the widespread and favorable response to it.

My best regards.

Sincerely,

Harold C. Fleming
Executive Director

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Louisville Urban League

AN INTERRACIAL AGENCY FOR SOCIAL SERVICE AMONG NEGROES

608 W. Walnut St. ✳ Louisville 3, Ky. ✳ Telephone: JUniper 3-4835

CHARLES T. STEELE
Executive Director

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March 9, 1960

Mr. Harold Fleming
Executive Director
Southern Regional Council
#432
63 Auburn Avenue
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Harold:

I am enclosing a bill for the telephone calls I made to the various southern leagues explaining to them about the Foundation's project. As you can see, the total came to Twenty-Two Dollars and Seventy-seven Cents ($22.77).

I received a memorandum about the history of the "students' sit-down strikes" and found it very interesting. C. H. and I are members of the Mayor's Human Relations Committee here in Louisville and we are quite concerned about this whole movement. In talking to C. H. he thought it would be a very good idea if we had copies of your report to distribute to the various members of the committee before the next meeting which will be held on March 24, 1960. Would you, therefore, please send me about twenty five (25) copies if you can spare them.

Thanks ever so much.

Sincerely yours,

Charlie

Charles T. Steele
Executive Director

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MEMBER HEALTH AND WELFARE COUNCIL

MEMBER AGENCY LOUISVILLE COMMUNITY CHEST

April 28, 1960

Mr. C. R. Yates
Yates and Milton Stores
228 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Yates:

This is to thank you for sharing with me your statement to the Grand Jury. It is a concise and effective presentation of some of the needs that Atlanta's leadership has been prone to ignore.

It is encouraging to see the Grand Jury actively seeking the views of all segments of Atlanta's population. And it is fortunate that there are able spokesmen like yourself who are prepared to respond to these opportunities.

Sincerely yours,

Harold C. Fleming
Executive Director

HCF:mf

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

STATEMENT OF C. R. YATES TO FULTON COUNTY GRAND JURY
APRIL 15, 1960

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VOCATIONAL TRAINING: Many of the problems of Atlanta are caused by the lack of preparation of the boys and girls for urban living. One of the chief needs of the Negro boy and girl is to be prepared to make a living. This is a primary responsibility of the school system through its vocational training program. There is only one vocational school open to Negroes in Atlanta, and that is Carver Vocational School, which does not have a full curriculum, and in many areas is limited. Because of this, many Negro boys and girls leave school unprepared before completing high school. Many drift off and become delinquents and criminals.

It is important that trade and industrial training opportunities be made equal for Negroes. There is a need for a greater number of competent instructors in vocational training, and for staff leadership of the vocational school to be of a nature to inspire boys and girls to go ahead. There is also a great need for a larger number of well-equipped vocational guidance counselors to help prevent boys and girls from dropping out of school, ill equipped for the future.

THE PUBLIC HOSPITAL: Grady Hospital, the only public hospital available should include Negro "doctors in training" on its house staff and also permit the Negro surgeons in training to work on the wards to increase and speed up services rendered to eligible patients, as seventy per cent of Grady's patients are Negroes.

The ambulance service at Grady Hospital is limited and separate for the races and frequently, there are unnecessary and costly delays. This would be helped by the use of Negro internes at Grady Hospital and Negro ambulance drivers. A visit to Grady Hospital on Friday or Saturday night is an enlightening experience and shows the need for increased house staff to serve patients who

are dependent upon this hospital for service.

FIRE DEPARTMENT: There is no fire department for miles going northwest in the Dixie Hills, Collier Heights and Fairburn Road subdivisions. In that area there could be a very serious loss because of lack of immediate service. It also causes an increase in fire insurance rates for residents of those sections. Also there is no employment for the Negro in the Fire Department.

TRANSPORTATION: Many residents live in the areas because the city clears slum areas and does not replace the cleared areas with housing facilities for Negroes. The people have to move out to the low cost housing in remote sections. On the outskirts of the city, transportation facilities are poor; carfare has to be paid to and from places of employment; to hospitals (Grady Memorial, the only public hospital being miles away), to health centers, to shopping centers. Trading centers in these communities are poorly equipped and the location of additional centers is thus often opposed by the residents. There are no schools in some of the communities. Public transportation should be made available because the families who move from the slum areas usually cannot afford automobiles and are dependent upon public transportation.

POLICE: There are 803 members of the Police Department - 31 are Negroes.
There are 76 Detectives - only 4 are Negroes.
There are no Negro adult probation officers.
There are no Negro School Detectives.
There has been no promotion in ten years for Negro policemen on the force.
The standard pay is too low for the entire police department. Good, honest policemen require better salaries. Pay should be comparable to pay in other cities of comparable sized population. We know that Atlanta is among the lowest in police pay scale.
Action as a result of presentments by Grand Juries are published but are so rarely carried out.

May 12, 1960

The Rev. Thomas R. Thrasher
The Chapel of the Cross
Chapel Hill, North Carolina

Dear Tom:

You are, indeed, still a board member in good standing of the Southern Regional Council. I had heard of your move to Chapel Hill and am sorry that we weren't alert enough to get the mechanical changes in our mailing records made before now.

In any case, that has now been done. I look forward to our next meeting and wish you all success in your new post.

Sincerely,

Harold C. Fleming
Executive Director

HCF/mf

M.P.

The Chapel of the Cross
Chapel Hill, North Carolina

May 4, 1960

Southern Regional Council
63 Auburn Avenue, Northeast
Atlanta, Georgia

Gentlemen:

Since I have removed my residence from the state of Alabama I do not know whether I shall continue to be eligible to the Board of the Southern Regional Council. I am happy to serve this organization in any way possible, but I don't know whether my membership is a regional matter or not.

I should certainly hope to be continued on the mailing list and I hope to be able, in my new location, to continue my relationship with you.

So would you please change my address from the one to which you are at present sending my mail, namely 315 Clanton Avenue, Montgomery, Alabama, to The Chapel of the Cross, Chapel Hill, North Carolina.

With all good wishes for the splendid work that you continue to do, I am,

Cordially yours,

Thomas R. Thrasher

Thomas R. Thrasher

TRT/m

Charged 5/6/60 BOC

May 27, 1960

Dr. E. A. McDowell
Southeastern Baptist Theological
Seminary
Wake Forest, North Carolina

Dear Dr. McDowell:

As luck would have it, George Mitchell and his wife are returning to the States shortly, if they have not already arrived. His daughter is being married in June, and he is to put in the next academic year as visiting professor at Spelman College here in Atlanta. I know he will be sorry to miss the chance to entertain you and Mrs. McDowell at his Scottish retreat.

We have followed with interest the North Carolina campaign and share with you the hope that the old segregationist approach will be soundly repudiated.

With every good wish,

Sincerely,

Harold C. Fleming
Executive Director

HCF/mf

Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary
AN AGENCY OF THE SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION
Wake Forest, North Carolina

EDWARD A. McDOWELL
PROFESSOR OF NEW
TESTAMENT INTERPRETATION

May 21, 1960.

Mr. Harold C. Fleming,
63 Auburn Ave., N.E.,
Atlanta 3, Ga.

Dear Harold:

My wife and I are planning an automobile tour of Europe this summer and we expect to drive through Scotland. I remember that George Mitchell is living somewhere in Scotland, but I do not know where. Will you please drop me a line and give me his address? Thank you!

The segregation candidate for governor of North Carolina, Beverly Lake, lives in this town. We hope he will be third or at the foot in the voting, but there is a chance he will be in the second primary. It is just too bad that we have to have the racial issue used as a political football in North Carolina at the present time.

Hope all goes well with you.

Very sincerely yours,
Edward A. McDowell
Edward A. McDowell

June 8, 1960

Dr. John A. Griffin
Director
University Relations
Florida State University
Tallahassee, Florida

Dear Dr. Griffin:

You may write Mr. Gillman as follows:

Mr. Charles Gillman
Director
Georgia State AFL-CIO
95 Merritts Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia

We missed you at the last Executive Committee meeting. Hope you will be able to make the one slated for September 27.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Mildred Flowers
Secretary to the Director

MF

THE FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY

TALLAHASSEE

OFFICE OF UNIVERSITY RELATIONS

June 4, 1960

Mr. Harold Fleming
Southern Regional Council
63 Auburn Avenue, Northeast
Atlanta - 3, Georgia

Dear Harold:

I need to write a note to Charlie Gilman. Would you please have your secretary send me his proper title and mailing address. Thank you so much.

I'm off to the Southern States Work Conference ~~this af~~ternoon but will be back in the office in a few days and in Atlanta, I hope, in about ten days and will call you then.

Sincerely,

John

John A. Griffin
Director

JAG/gp

Sent to: I. H. Burney,m Alice Cobb, S. E. Duncan, Paul Green, ~~&&&&&&&&&&~~ Jacob Rothschild, J. Ray Shute, J. Edwin Smith,, Miss Florence Sytz, H. C. Trenholm, Paul D. Williams.

June 24, 1960

Mr. Fred D. Alexander
2308 Sanders Avenue
Charlotte, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Alexander:

I should like to intrude on your very valuable time by asking you to furnish SRC with biographical information on yourself. Enclosed is a form which I hope you will fill in and return to us.

Cordially,

(Mrs.) Mildred Flowers
Secretary to the Director

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Enclosure - 1.

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL
63 Auburn Ave., N.E.
Atlanta 1, Ga.

Board of Directors - Biographical Data Sheet

Name Fred erick D. Alexander

Business Address ~~2623 Doub le Oaks Road Charlotte, N. C.~~ 2140 Senior Dr.

Current Profession and Employment Real Estate and Insurance

Background:

Business Phone: Fr 64905 Fr 53624

Graduate of Lincoln University, Pa.

Member Board of Directors Southern Fidelity Mut ual Insurance Co. Durham, N. C.

Grand Secretary - Prince Hall Masons of North Carolina

Member of Committee to study Health and Hospital Services in Charlotte and Mecklenburg County

Member of Citizen's Committee on Urban Rehewal

Home address: 2308 ~~Sanders Avenue Charlotte 8~~, N. C.

Home telephone: ED 30222

Ltr. used in 1964

Dear _____:

In checking our files I find no biographical information for you. Would you be kind enough to fill in the attached form and return it to this office as soon as is conveniently possible?

I am sorry to intrude on your very valuable time, but this information is very much needed here in our office.

July 19, 1960

Mrs. J. N. Rayzor
3207 Groveland Lane
Houston 19, Texas

Dear Mrs. Rayzor:

This is to thank you most warmly for your further contribution to the Southern Regional Council -- especially welcome during these weeks of summer doldrums -- and for the interesting enclosures.

The Dallas News editorial certainly sounds a familiar and wrong-headed theme. One of its main assumptions is that the NAACP is exclusively "up there," pot-shotting at the distant South. There seems to be no recognition that the NAACP in the South is composed of Southerners, albeit Negro Southerners.

We hope the coming year will see a marked improvement in the Houstan situation. I shall be most interested to see the effect of Lyndon Johnson's nomination on the racial situation in Texas generally.

With appreciation and every good wish,

Sincerely,

Harold C. Fleming
Executive Director

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Enclosure - 1. (Official receipt)

to hold the shaving soap signs.

NAACP on the Wrong Track

Northerners are beginning to see some of the problems of integration. Surprisingly, for them, the troubles are in their back yards, ghetto-like areas where the crusaders discover they have shunted the Negroes who came North.

The Milwaukee Journal turned a crew of reporters loose on the racial business in the suds city. They revealed facts which indicate that Milwaukee Negroes are not happy. These Negroes feel discriminated against in every phase of life except the social, which is, for them, nonexistent on a mixed basis in Milwaukee. They've given up on that score, if the Journal reports are to be believed.

This is only one instance of what observing people have seen in scores of cities and towns in the North. It indicates clearly for those who are not determinedly blind that the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People is off the mark, trying to shoot a far-distant tiger and ignoring the preying jackals at home.

Either that, or the NAACP is trying to make a splurge in the headlines, which would indicate less concern for Negroes' welfare than for the name of the NAACP.

The NAACP can gain more respect if it will devote equal attention to the racial sores in the North and quit pillorying the South. It might also remember that the 1954 Supreme Court decision against public school segregation is not yet the law of the land until Congress makes it so.

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In Dallas News

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Human Relations News Letter of ADL

PUBLISHED BY THE SOUTHWEST REGIONAL OFFICE OF THE ANTI-DEFAMATION LEAGUE OF B'NAI B'RITH

2405 SAN JACINTO STREET
HOUSTON 2, TEXAS

Theodore Freedman, Director
Richard H. Lobenthal, Assoc. Director

June 1960

HOUSTON "VOTES" NO ON INTEGRATION OF SCHOOLS

The recent referendum election on desegregating the public schools of Houston was defeated by a 2-1 vote. On the other hand, it is somewhat heartening to note that this was a better showing than in the 1956 referendum, which was defeated by a 4-1 margin.

Because of the complexity of the issues involved, it was felt that a large number of voters who might otherwise have voted "yes" stayed away from the poles. Some of the factors were that the school board had already agreed to comply with the Federal District Court's order to desegregate; they had already subnitted a plan to Federal Judge Ben C. Connaly; others felt that since this had been decided by the Supreme Court, it should not be subject to a referendum. Significant also was the extremely light Negro voting and attempts of school board members to becloud the issues and intimidate the public.

Pro-segregation groups in the city were surprisingly quiet until a week before the election. Strong appeals were made to the voters in the newspapers...in addition, eight year olds were used to distribute copies of anti-integration materials in the downtown shopping areas.

This was also the occasion of distribution of anti-Semitic materials in the closing days of the campaign. Of particular interest was the resurrection of the "Israel Cohen Hoax", which was thought to have been repudiated and buried back in 1957 when it first came to light in a speech made on the floor of Congress. In addition, copies of the vicious "American Nationalist," out of California, were distributed through the mails, postmarked - HOUSTON, TEXAS.

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HOUSTON BI-RACIAL COMMITTEE MAY FOLD IN SILENCE

Although far from representing a unanimous opinion, Mr. J. B. Hamblen, chairman of the (Houston) bi-racial Mayor's Committee, stated to the mayor that the committee had served its purpose and will have no more meetings. Later, he told newsmen that "I think the committee will be disbanded as quickly and graciously as possible." Others felt that the committee "...could do a lot of good if allowed to operate." One subcommittee, which in effect recommended immediate desegregation of lunch counters, was prevented from voting on the issue (by Hamblen) because of another divergent recommendation for a slow and cautious approach. Hamblen said he felt any decisions on this matter should be made only by the operators themselves, without committee interference. Later he said that "the committee has degenerated into a debating society; I think it has served its purpose." Mayor Cutrer was noncommittal on whether or not he would dissolve the committee.

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TULSANS TOLD ABOUT INTEGRATING INDUSTRY

In a recent address in Tulsa, Oklahoma, Mr. William G. Caples, a vice-president of Inland Steel Co., and member of the Chicago Board of Education, told listeners that the South was paying a high economic price to preserve its segregation policies. He pointed out that "integrating employment in a firm is not difficult...top management needs only to decide to hire Negroes and then hire them...The advance fears of washroom and lunchroom incidents never materialize." (Borne out by experiences of many human relations agencies.)

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OKLAHOMA GOVERNOR'S COMMISSION ON HUMAN RELATIONS HIRES AN EXECUTIVE

The Oklahoma Governor's Commission on Human Relations announced the appointment of Olen Nalley to the position of executive secretary, Mr. Nalley, formerly director of music and youth work at Central Presbyterian Church (Oklahoma City) has held positions with the Capital Hill Methodist Church and the Oklahoma City Council of Churches. The group is presently looking for office space and is also seeking one other employee, an office secretary.

Future plans for the committee include meeting with the local hotel and restaurant owners to discuss the possibility of integrating eating establishments; and a talk by Governor Edmondson.

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COLORADO BIGOT ON TOUR IN TEXAS

Rev. Harvey H. Springer, D.D., Pastor of the First Baptist Church of Englewood, Colorado, notorious anti-Catholic hate monger, (mentioned in ADL's book "The Troublemakers") has stepped up his vicious spewings, spurred by the possibility of Senator Kennedy's nomination and/or election to the Presidency. Springer, who has dabbled in anti-Semitism, but who apparently finds his particular breed of prejudice more profitable at present, is touring Texas (having just been to Lubbock, Abilene and Dallas and going on to Big Springs, Monahans and San Antonio.) Thereafter, he will hold "rallies" at Baton Rouge, La., and Indianapolis, Ind. Distribution of his own scurrilous literature at these meetings is usual and the newest addition is a "PETITION To the Members of the Nominating Committee of the Democratic National Party and Republican National Party" indicating that the undersigned voters "wish to express (their) opposition to the nomination of a Roman Catholic for President or Vice-President." Included in the distribution is the usual brand of trash: newspaper, pamphlets, and appeals for funds. In Lubbock, Springer brought up two children to the stage and draped the papal flag over them asking the audience if they wanted that for their children. Then he brought the American flag over and passed that over the children, asking the audience if they would prefer this latter course.

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OKLAHOMA SCHOOL NEWS

The Oklahoma City Board of Education decided to replace white faculties with Negro teachers at two schools, where student bodies are almost entirely Negro. Thus far, the Board's policy has been against assigning white and Negro teachers to the same faculty. Doubt was expressed whether any white children will be in attendance at these schools next year. While the number of positions open has not been disclosed, it was expected that many of the 360 Negro teachers displaced by desegregation in Oklahoma would apply. This will reduce the number of integrated schools in Oklahoma City to 7.

Langston, an all Negro community and the home of the state's only Negro university, was forced to vote its high school out of attendance. Insofar as the average daily attendance fell below the minimum required for state aid, the district electors voted to transfer their high school pupils to other districts and operate only an elementary school. Most of the students will probably go to the integrated Coyle school, two miles away.

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RECENT***READABLE***USABLE

PREJUDICE AND POLITICS...written by Charles F. Taft and Bruce L. Felknor. In this 56 page pamphlet, the authors trace the history of religious and racial prejudice as reflected in American politics from the Colonial era to the present. Appendices include: The Elements of "Smear"; Code of Fair Campaign Practices; and a bibliography. Probably one of the most timely pamphlets available. (35¢ - available from this office.)

THE SWASTIKA "EPIDEMIC" AND ANTI-SEMITISM IN AMERICA...by Oscar Cohen (National Program Director of the ADL). While the pamphlet explores the recent rash of desecrations experienced throughout this country and abroad, it focuses on the real danger to American Democracy and to Jews. (20¢ through this office)

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Marked: "HOLD FOR ARRIVAL AUGUST 10"

via air mail

July 19, 1960

Dr. Guy B. Johnson
c/o Berner's Hotel
Berner's Street
London, W. K., England

Dear Guy:

It is good to hear from you and to learn something of your peregrinations. The past year must have been a rich and pleasant one for you-all.

I have bad news about George Mitchell. He and Alice are currently in the United States (at last report, reachable through Morris Mitchell at Putney). George has develped a serious health problem -- arteriosclerosis which has damaged the brain. The outlook is utterly bleak -- gradual deterioriation and ultimately complete helplessness.

Alice is bearing up remarkably, I understand, under this terrible prospect. There is some mitigation in the fact that George is not emotionally disturbed at all, in fact is quite sanguine. They will return to their Scottish home -- at Argyll, Glencoe -- as soon as the red tape concerning social security is untangled. The exact date of return is uncertain, I am told, so it is impossible to know whether they will be there while you

are in Britain. If so, I know a visit would be most welcome.

I hope to see you soon after your return. Meanwhile, the very best to you and Mrs. Johnson.

Sincerely,

Harold C. Fleming
Executive Director

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NAIROBI
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Nairobi, Kenya
July 11, 1960

Dear Harold,

We are on our way home after nearly a year in South Africa. And what a year to be in South Africa! Now we are visiting universities in East + West Africa. We were scheduled to fly to Leopoldville from Entebbe two days from now, but the situation in the Congo is too dangerous, and it is doubtful if planes will fly in anyway. To get to Ghana and Nigeria, we will have to go to Khartoum and then over to Kano in N. Nigeria.

After West Africa we go to Rome, then Paris, and then three weeks in the U.K. We hope to tour around a bit in U.K., and we might try to visit the George Mitchells if we can find them without too much trouble. Can you give me their address? I have a good map, and I can find the place, I'm sure. Please write us c/o Berner's Hotel, Berner's Street, London, U.K., and mark it "Hold for arrival about August 10."

All good wishes to you and family

Guy B. Johnson

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MR. HAROLD FLEMING
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63 AUBURN AVE., N.E.
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Sender's name and address:-
F. B. Johnson
Box 652
Chapel Hill N.C.
U.S.A.

Approved by the Postmaster General No. 71995/52

To open cut here

July 28, 1960

Dr. Merrimon Cuninggim
8000 Crescent Drive
Clayton 5, Missouri

Dear Merrimon:

Many thanks for your thoughtful letter of July 21, which, I must say, I read with mixed emotions. I am deeply pleased to learn of your important new work and extend every good wish as you undertake it. Having been on the receiving end of philanthropy for a long time, I feel very keenly the need for talented and committed people on the giving end. The foundations are doing more to shape our society than most of us realize, and they deserve the best leadership we can muster. The only pity is that education and other important fields have to be the losers.

In this case, the Southern Regional Council is the loser, too, which I deeply regret. The bylaws limit membership to persons living in the 12-state South. At times like these, I wish we could stretch our boundaries.

At any rate, the loss needn't be more than a formal one. We will continue to send you our releases and materials, and I hope you will continue to feel closely associated with the Council and its efforts. Your comments and suggestions will always be highly valued here. The two Dallasites you suggest as potential SRC members will, I am sure, be gratefully considered by the nominating committee.

We, too, were disappointed in the Spearman-Meyer pamphlet. Both of them are friends of long standing and are properly regarded as outstanding representatives of Southern journalism. Despite our disappointment with the text, we

felt an obligation to proceed with publication. I am still hoping, however, that we can later produce the kind of incisive, workmanlike treatment of the subject that we originally envisioned.

The New Yorker article is, indeed, well done. While the New Yorker is more reluctant than some magazines to give reprint permission, as soon as a few other staff members have read the article we shall consider trying to secure permission.

It strikes me as possible that the Danforth Foundation's concerns will bring you occasionally to Southern colleges. If you reach Atlanta, please don't fail to pay us a visit.

Cordially,

Harold C. Fleming
Executive Director

HCF/sm

P.S. -- Enclosed is a copy of a speech recently made by Leslie Dunbar of our staff. I think you will find it interesting.

NEW HOME ADDRESS { 8000 CRESCENT DR., CLAYTON, 5, MO.

THE DANFORTH FOUNDATION
INCORPORATED
835 SOUTH EIGHTH STREET
St. Louis 2, Mo.

July 21, 1960

Dear Harold —

This is to give you a new address, above, and to raise a couple of questions. As of July 1 I ceased my connection with S.M.U., and we have moved to St. Louis, where I am to undertake the job of Executive Director of the Danforth Foundation, beginning next May 1 (when Kenneth I. Brown, the present Director, retires). Until then my assignment is to read and study, and in general prepare to be on the giving rather than receiving end of higher education. Please have my address changed in the S.R.C. files, for I don't want to miss any of the items you send out from time to time.

My now living in Missouri raises a question as to whether I should continue to be a member of the S.R.C. If it is appropriate for me to resign, please consider this my letter of resignation. (If not, I shall be glad to continue, tho I won't be able to attend the meetings regularly, I am afraid.) In any event, I hope very much that the S.R.C. can add a Dallas resident to its group in my place; and for this purpose I'd like to suggest two names, one a white man, the other a Negro. The former is Dr. Douglas Jackson, Professor of the Sociology of Religion at Perkins, SMU (who used to

be on the faculty at Emory), well-informed, poised, intelligent, recently elected to the new Board of Social Concerns of the Methodist Church. The latter is Mr. Henry Lenoir, Exec. Secy. of the Negro YMCA in Dallas; I thought I had his address with me but in the chaos of moving I seem to have misplaced it. Either or both of these gentlemen would make a good Dallas representation.

May I confess, privately, some disappointment at the pamphlet Racial Crisis and the Press. Never I don't know, but Walter Spearman is an old devoted friend; and thus I hate to feel that the pamphlet is not as incisive and yet as broad as I had hoped it would be, when I saw its title.

Which leads me to one more comment: Any chance that the New South might be interested in, and be able to get permission for, reprinting the article, "A Conversation in Alabama" by someone named Nat Hentoff that appeared in the New Yorker for July 16, 1960, pp. 41-54? It is a thought-provoking job, all the more devastating because it follows the New Yorker's usual dead-pan style.

With all good wishes to you personally,

Very sincerely,

Mississippi (Cunningham)

August 8, 1960

Mr. John A. Griffin, Director
Office of University Relations
The Florida State University
Tallahassee, Florida

Dear John:

Enclosed is a copy of the latest report on desegregation in higher education. It is up to date despite the notation at the top.

We surely do miss you here in Atlanta and wish you were back at Emory. Bill and I were telling some friends about your courses at Emory just this week-end.

At least come see us whenever you can.

With best wishes.

Sincerely,

John Constable
Director of Information

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THE FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY

TALLAHASSEE

OFFICE OF UNIVERSITY RELATIONS

August 3, 1960

Mr. John Constable
Southern Regional Council
63 Auburn Avenue, Northeast
Atlanta - 3, Georgia

Dear John:

A student of mine here at Florida State University is writing a term paper on the present status of the admission of Negroes to institutions of higher learning in the South. Does the Council have a report on this? If so, would you please send me one for him.

Thank you. I miss you.

Sincerely,

John

John A. Griffin
Director

JAG/gp

LWD✓ Think nothing of it. HCF✓

FISK UNIVERSITY

NASHVILLE 8, TENNESSEE

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

August 23, 1960

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Dr. Harold C. Fleming
Executive Director
Southern Regional Council
63 Auburn Avenue
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear Dr. Fleming:

I am very late in acknowledging the receipt of the copy of the excellent address you delivered at the annual meeting of the Department of Higher Education of the Georgia State Teachers Association in April. Naturally, I was delighted to know that my article in the Journal of Negro Education had at least one reader and I was flattered by your quoting from it.

Although I am very late in doing so, I should like to extend to you my highest commendation for the excellent manner in which the Council has reported the student demonstrations. Moreover, your articles relating to it have been perceptive and well done.

Very cordially yours,

S. J. Wright
President

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September 7, 1960

Rabbi Charles Mantinband
P. O. Box 1326
Hattiesburg, Mississippi

My dear Rabbi Mantinband:

Very nice to hear from you and to learn of Mississippi progress, albeit reluctant and sullen. The materials you requested have been mailed to you separately.

I remember Dr. Beittel very pleasantly. He should be a welcome asset to the staunch band of good folks in Mississippi.

I do hope you will find it possible to be with us at the annual meeting in November. Meanwhile, my very best, as always.

Sincerely,

Harold C. Fleming
Executive Director

HCF/mf

JCC OK. 9/6/60 will you handle this?

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Sent 9/6/60 50 each BCC

P. O. Box 1326
HATTIESBURG, MISSISSIPPI

DATE Sept. 3 1960

FROM THE DESK OF
RABBI CHARLES MANTINBAND

Memo to Southern Regional Council:

We can use for distribution fifty (50) copies of Eliza Paschall's "A Southern Point of View", reprinted from the May 1960 issue of the Atlantic Monthly, also a small quantity of Harold Fleming's article in the Sunday Magazine section of the New York Times.

Mississippi is coming along, reluctantly and sullenly. The new president of the American Bar Association is from these parts. A young Negro from Laurel is taking honors for America at the Olympics in Rome. And mirable dictu, the local press is strong for putting Negroes on the police force.

Did you know that Dr. A. D. Beittel, former president of Talledega College, Alabama, takes over the presidency of Tougaloo - Southern Christian. He is a good man.

Sincerely,

C Mantinband CM

JEWISH TEMPLE BULLETIN

B'NAI ISRAEL
HATTIESBURG

KENESETH ISRAEL
LAUREL

RABBI CHARLES MANTINBAND

SEPTEMBER 1-15, 1960 ELUL, 5720

SABBATH SERVICES AT THE TEMPLE

Friday, Sept. 2 at 8 o'clock: "JEWISH YOUTH SPEAKS"
Naming and Blessing of Babies. Oneg Shabat

Friday, Sept. 9 at 8 o'clock: "THE EICHMANN CASE"
First-hand Report from Israel

Traditional Services Friday evening at Sunset

WORDS OF INSPIRATION

Make not my son a warrior, dear God
Keep from his heart the need for victory
And from his mind the conqueror's blood stained rod.
Let him be brave—but not so brave that he
Despise the weak. And let him know defeat
That he may try his strength to rise again.
Make not his life with glory so replete
That he forget the sorrowings of men.

Dear God, may my son know the perfect peace
That comes of simple things—the rising sun
Behind a hill, the spirit's sweet release
In thought, a lane with larkspur overrun.
Let other sons be famed and make folklore.
May mine be meek and wise. I ask no more.

—Minna Gellert

JEWISH TEMPLE BULLETIN

SHOLOM, YOU-ALL. We trust that our members have enjoyed a good summer. For the New Year, why not resolve to be a maximum Jew, devoting your time and energy to the welfare of the congregation and the community. We are so few in number. The effort of everyone counts.

HOLIDAY DATES: Rosh Ha Shona this year is Wednesday evening September 21st. New Year's Day is Thursday the 22nd (and for the traditionally-minded, Friday the 23rd). Kol Nidre Eve, Yom Kippur, is Friday night September 30th. The Atonement Day continues all day Saturday October 1st. The next Bulletin will contain the complete Holy Day Schedule. And members of the Youth Group will again solicit your New Year's greetings.

PERSONALS. Our sympathies to the London-Katz family upon the loss of Marcus London in a motor accident July 2nd. Also to the Buchalter-Frohman family upon the death of young Arthur, Jr. August 1st. . . . Mazel tov to all the Adlers upon the wedding of Gloria to Fred Benamy and to the Frohmans upon the nuptials of Roslyn to Barry Battelstein in Laurel. Congratulations also to Max and Eva Signoff on the marriage of heir son Barry to Sue Kulman of Houston; to Paul and Eva Waldoff upon the engagement of their son Leon to Alice Kapner of Irvington, N. J.; and to Ben and Esther Shemper, whose daughter Goldie (our Miss Hattiesburg) announces her engagement to George Hirsberg of Clarksdale. Born during the summer was a daughter, to Bee and Fay Botnick, and a son to Mike and Dot Stetelman. To Irving and Faye Sackler, a belated mazel-tov! their daughters Harriet and Marilyn became mothers recently, in Birmingham and Hollywood, Florida, likewise Jean London Eisenbach in Chattanooga. . . . Newcomers in Laurel are Dr. and Mrs. Marvin Eisenberg, associated with Charity Hospital. . . Aubrey Sievers, our Temple organist, will teach music at Hawkins High School this season. . . . Joel Adler, Doctor of Dental Surgery, is on a tour of duty stationed in Ulm, Germany. . James and May Deutsch fly to Israel in early September, with stopover in Germany. . . . Philip Stotland received his Bachelor's Degree at University of Texas, and his Commission in the U. S. Army Reserve Corps.

DATES TO REMEMBER. Report on NFTY Leadership Institute and blessing of two babies, by the Rabbi at Temple Friday, Sept. 2nd. Installation of Temple Youth Officers, Breakfast meeting, Sunday, Sept. 11. Sisterhood Meeting, Wednesday, Sept. 14. B'nai Brith Meeting at home of Alvin Sackler, Thursday, Sept. 15.

September 15, 1960

Reverend Marquis L. Harris
Resident Bishop
The Methodist Church
The Atlantic Coast Area
250 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

My dear Bishop Harris:

Your move to Atlanta in no way disqualifies you for service on the Southern Regional Council's Board. We swill simply keep Arkansas's representation in mind in subsequent elections.

I am glad to have this opportunity to express my pleasure at your appointment to this important new post, and to convey to you our readiness to be of any possible service to you.

Now that you are in Atlanta, busy although you will be , I hope that we can look forward to seeing more of you.

Sincerely,

Harold C. Fleming
Executive Director

HCF/mf

9/15/60

THE METHODIST CHURCH

THE ATLANTIC COAST AREA
MARQUIS LAFAYETTE HARRIS, RESIDENT BISHOP
250 AUBURN AVENUE, N. E.
ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA

September 14, 1960

Dr. Harold C. Fleming
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Dr. Fleming:

I have just moved to Atlanta. You may want to think in terms of a successor for me on the Board of Directors since I am no longer in Arkansas.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Marquis Lafayette Harris

Marquis L. Harris

MLH:VD

September 26, 1960

Mr. Paul Williams
3320 Gloucester Road
Richmond, Virginia

Dear Paul:

It is good to hear from you and to learn that you have assumed an even more important (and I take it busier) position with Mentzer, Bush and Company. You have my very best wishes.

The Annual Meeting is set for Wednesday, November 9, beginning at 10:00 a.m. This is the day after Election Day, but I very much hope that you will be able to come. note

As for Monsignor Pitt's letter, I am enclosing a copy of a brief history of SRC which will, perhaps, serve the purpose. Also a reprint from the New York Times of some time ago which indicates SRC's role and status is enclosed.

As I needn't suggest to you, it might be useful to point out to him that Archbishop O'Hara was one of the founders, that both George Mitchell and Guy Johnson received the annual award of the Catholic Committee of the South, that we worked closely with the Catholic Interracial Councils, etc., etc. Actually, I should think your name on the letterhead should reassure him sufficiently.

I was out in St. Louis not long ago for the Conference on Social Justice where all the interracial councils were represented and where I saw George Hunton and other old friends. Your name was often mentioned, and everyone regretted that you could not be present.

Sincerely,

Harold C. Fleming
Executive Director

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Enclosures - 2.

Monsignor Pitts 9/20/60
ltr. returned 9/26/60

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Richmond, Va.
Sept. 18, 1960

Dear Harold,

The enclosed letter arrived while I was on vacation with my family and greeted me on my return to Richmond. Would you be so kind as to give me some data that I could send on to Monsignor Pitt regarding his request. I would prefer to tell him a little more than that the Field Activities of the Council is an okay project.

Please return Monsignor Pitt's letter and write me, not Monsignor, care of my home address. Also tell me the date of the Annual Meeting which I will attend if at all possible. Since Mr. Mentzer died early this year I have succeeded him and this has been a trying year of reorganization.

Hope you like your new office. Will be glad to see it on my next trip to Atlanta.

Best wishes always.

Sincerely,
Paul

Home address:
3320 Gloucester Rd.,
Richmond 27, Va.

November 30, 1960

Colonel Francis P. Miller
Box 3665 University Station
Charlottesville, Virginia

Dear Francis:

It was a pleasure seeing you again at the annual meeting, and I appreciate your remembering to send me a copy of the Rev. Mr. Hamilton's letter. To achieve as mediator a smooth transition, and to earn the thanks of all parties in the process, is an enviable feat! I wish I could do as much in Atlanta right now.

I hope we will find ourselves together again soon.

Cordially,

Harold C. Fleming
Executive Director

HCF/mf

PICKENS HILL
FARMINGTON

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FRANCIS PICKENS MILLER
BOX 3665 UNIVERSITY STATION
CHARLOTTESVILLE, VIRGINIA

November 11, 1960

Mr. Harold C. Fleming
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Room 201
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Harold:

Here is a statement of my expenses:

Round trip flight Washington to Atlanta and return	$ 80.63
Hotel	7.21
Taxis	2.70
Total	$ 90.54

It was good to see you again on Thursday and I was greatly impressed by the evidence which came out during the Board meeting of the magnificent job you and your staff are doing in the South.

I thought you might like to see the enclosed letter, to which I referred at the meeting. Mr. Hamilton was the leader of the Negro group interested in the sit-in movement. You can readily understand how pleased I was that the transition could be made here without a ripple being caused.

With all good wishes, I am,

Cordially yours,

Francis

Francis P. Miller

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Mt. Zion Baptist Church
RIDGE STREET, NEAR MAIN
CHARLOTTESVILLE, VIRGINIA

November 1, 1960

Colonel Francis P. Miller
Valley View Building
East Main Street
Charlottesville, Virginia

Dear Colonel Miller:

I wish to thank you for your cooperation in regards to the lunch counters.

The issue has been settled without hostility. You made a major contribution to the cause. I am indeed grateful to you for the very fine manner in which you gave leadership to resolve the difficulty.

There were no demonstrations after our conversation on Friday. I have sent a letter of thanks to the following persons: Mr. Harvin, Mr. Tolbert, of Rose's and Mr. Wessells of people. I hope that I can be of service to you in the future.

Again, I thank you for your cooperation.

Very truly yours,

James B. Hamilton
James B. Hamilton, Minister
of Mt. Zion Baptist Church

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Dear Harold Fleming,

Thank you for your deeply appreciated letter. I am about to take off for Christmas vacation but before I do I am writing to say that I have just talked to Josephine and she is on her way to Venice, Florida. She has made a terrific fight and we are all praying for her speedy recovery.

With best wishes to you, Dabbs, and other members of the Southern Regional Council, I am

Sincerely yours,

Frank Graham

Mr. Harold C. Fleming
Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Room 201, 5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

December 24, 1959

Mr. L. D. Milton
President
Citizens Trust Company
212 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Milton:

I don't believe I have thanked you properly for your kindness and generosity in the matter of the recent loan to the Southern Regional Council. In retrospect, it is clearer than ever that it would have been a pity to disturb the Council's investments in order to meet a very temporary need for cash. Your readiness to make the loan at a nominal interest rate, topped by your waiving the interest entirely for the two-week period, was a tremendous help.

Incidentally, we are putting before the Executive Committee meeting the question of establishing routine authority for the negotiation of loans when and if they may be advisable.

With appreciation and every good wish for Christmas and the New Year, I am

Cordially yours,

Harold C. Fleming
Executive Director

HCF/mf

December 27, 1960

Mr. C. S. Cartwright
4724 Hillcrest Avenue
Little Rock, Arkansas

Dear Bert:

Thank you for including my name in your mailing of your recent speech. If you have no objections, I hope to use this in an upcoming NEW SOUTH. If there is any objections, please let me know as soon as possible.

I trust you had a good Christmas and best wishes for the New Year.

Sincerely,

John Constable
Director of Information

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PROPOSED AGENDA

Annual Meeting
Southern Regional Council
Atlanta, Georgia

November 10, 1960

9:30 AM **GENERAL SESSION**

Invocation

Introduction and Remarks by the President
Mr. Dabbs

Report of the Executive Committee

Remarks of the Executive Director
Mr. Fleming

Questions or Comments on Report and Remarks

Discussion of the Situation in the South and Implications for SRC
Led by Mr. Griffin

EXECUTIVE SESSION (Staff on Call)

Confirmation of Executive Director and Secretary-Treasurer

Other Business for Executive Session

GENERAL SESSION

Financial Reports
(Discussion of each and action as indicated)

Income and Expenses - 1960
Mrs. Alexander

Proposed Budget - 1961 (Action)
Mr. Anthony

Proposed Grants-in-Aid to State Councils on Human Relations 1961 (Action)
Mr. Rilling

Report of the Nominating Committee (Action)
Miss Ruthenburg

Time Permitting: Resumption of Morning's General Discussion - Led by Mr. Griffin

4:00 PM ADJOURNMENT

Note: Lunch will be served at 12:30. The meeting hall must be cleared at noon in order that the tables may be prepared.

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

BALANCE SHEET
October 31, 1960

ASSETS

Funds toward future obligations, 1960-61:		
Cash in Banks - Checking	$ 37,767.05	
Investment in Securities (Market Value 6/30/60)	109,640.25	
Total Assets		$147,407.30

LIABILITIES

Due to Special Projects, 1960-61:			
Research Department		$ 4,582.58	
Consultant Service Program		8,738.37	
Voting Survey		1,552.91	
Fellowship of the Concerned		4,960.47	
Southern Leadership Project		35,626.05	
Contingency Fund		9,460.63	
New Orleans Project		506.04	
Special Grants-in-Aid to State Councils on Human Relations		38,500.00	$103,927.05
General Operations, 1961	$ 25,000.00		
Reserve Fund	18,480.25		43,480.25
Total Liabilities			$147,407.30

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS - SPECIAL PROJECTS
January 1, 1960 to October 31, 1960

RESEARCH DEPARTMENT

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1960		$ 28,821.54
Travel Refunds		345.23
Total Receipts		$ 29,166.77

DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries	$ 15,138.01	
Travel and Communication	730.38	
Printing	4,993.27	
Books and Subscriptions	1,058.33	
Office Supplies	918.23	
Consultants' Fees	928.00	
Consultants' Travel	817.97	
Total Disbursements		24,584.19
Balance, October 31, 1960		$ 4,582.58

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CONSULTANT SERVICE PROGRAM

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1960		$ 15,653.15
Travel Refunds		232.17
Total Receipts		$ 15,885.32

DISBURSEMENTS

Consultants' Fees	$ 3,476.10	
Travel and Communication	3,663.85	
Program Materials	7.00	
Total Disbursements		7,146.95
Balance, October 31, 1960		$ 8,738.37

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS - SPECIAL PROJECTS
January 1, 1960 to October 31, 1960

VOTING SURVEY

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1960		$ 1,802.13

DISBURSEMENTS

Consultants' Fees	$ 180.00	
Travel and Communication	51.45	
Supplies	17.77	
Total Disbursements		249.22
Balance, October 31, 1960		$ 1,552.91

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FELLOWSHIP OF THE CONCERNED

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1960		$ 1,149.37
John Hay Whitney Foundation	$ 2,000.00	
Phelps-Stokes Fund	2,000.00	
Mrs. Katharine Cole	10.00	4,010.00
Total Receipts		$ 5,159.37

DISBURSEMENTS

Travel for State Meetings	$ 134.74	
Program Materials	64.16	
Total Disbursements		198.90
Balance, October 31, 1960		$ 4,960.47

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS - SPECIAL PROJECTS
January 1, 1960 to October 31, 1960

SOUTHERN LEADERSHIP PROJECT

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1960		$ 21,121.91
Rockefeller Brothers Fund		40,000.00
Total Receipts		$ 61,121.91

DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries	$ 6,210.10	
Travel and Communication	2,984.87	
Office Expense	1,478.86	
Printing and Distribution	5,407.20	
Consultants' Fees	3,609.00	
Consultants' Travel	1,805.83	
Overhead	4,000.00	
Total Disbursements		25,495.86
Balance, October 31, 1960		$ 35,626.05

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CONTINGENCY FUND

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1960		$ 5,701.53
New World Foundation		5,000.00
Total Receipts		$ 10,701.53

DISBURSEMENTS

Travel	$ 122.76	
Oberlin College	50.00	
Printing - United Church Women	37.60	
Printing - ACCA Pamphlet	400.00	
Reprinting - The Agony of the Southern Minister	234.12	
Printing - Nashville Community Relations Conference	267.67	
Reprinting - A Southern Point of View	128.75	
Total Disbursements		1,240.90
Balance, October 31, 1960		$ 9,460.63

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS - SPECIAL PROJECTS
August 1, 1960 to October 31, 1960

NEW ORLEANS PROJECT

RECEIPTS

Edgar Stern Family Fund	$10,000.00

DISBURSEMENTS

Printing, Promotion, Mailing, etc.	$ 8,477.75	
Travel and Communication	1,016.21	
Total Disbursements		9,493.96
Balance, October 31, 1960		$ 506.04

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSES - GENERAL OPERATIONS
January 1, 1960 to October 31, 1960

INCOME

Contributions:		
Foundations	$64,750.00	
Organizations	3,510.00	
Churches	3,400.00	
Individuals	14,127.63	
Bequest, Cash	23,600.00	$109,387.63
Interest Income	1,528.54	
Dividends on Securities	2,293.23	
NEW SOUTH Subscriptions	4,476.50	
Sale of Literature	833.00	
Associate Members' Dues	60.00	
Sale of Securities	20,000.00	
Overhead	4,000.00	33,191.27
Total Income		$142,578.90

EXPENSES

Salaries	$58,554.64	
Social Security Taxes	1,899.22	
Travel	7,408.05	
Telephone and Telegraph	2,999.62	
Executive Committee and Annual Meeting	1,654.38	
Consultant Fees	1,060.00	
Books and Subscriptions	192.97	
Office Supplies	1,114.59	
NEW SOUTH Postage	1,331.99	
NEW SOUTH Printing	4,358.88	
Postage	1,065.23	
Printing	2,941.13	
Insurance	702.32	
Rent	3,900.00	
Accounting	400.00	
Georgia Sales Tax	10.36	
Miscellaneous	1,022.87	
Grants-in-Aid to State Councils	32,595.23	
Group Hospitalization Insurance	327.84	
Group Term Life Insurance	436.92	
Retirement Insurance	649.54	
Office Equipment	635.04	
Office Repairs, Maintenance and Moving Expense	6,360.36	
Total Expenses		131,621.18
Excess of Income over Expenses		$ 10,957.72

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
AID TO INDEPENDENT STATE COUNCILS ON HUMAN RELATIONS
January 1, 1960 to October 31, 1960

RECEIPTS

Allocation from General Operating Funds	$ 32,595.23	
Field Foundation, Inc. - 1960-61	25,000.00	
Individual Donor (received 1959 for 1960)	25,000.00	
Taconic Foundation - 1961	25,000.00	
Rockefeller Brothers Fund (for Arkansas)	8,000.00	
Individual Contributions	1,499.62	
Total Receipts		$117,094.85

DISBURSEMENTS

Grants-in-Aid from General Operating Fund:		
Alabama Council on Human Relations	$ 4,200.00	
Arkansas Council on Human Relations	3,500.00	
Florida Council on Human Relations	3,900.00	
Georgia Council on Human Relations	3,500.00	
Kentucky Council on Human Relations	1,125.00	
North Carolina Council on Human Relations	3,900.00	
South Carolina Council on Human Relations	3,900.00	
Tennessee Council on Human Relations	3,500.00	
Virginia Council on Human Relations	3,900.00	
State Aid Discretionary Fund	1,170.23	32,595.23
Individual Donor:		
Alabama Council on Human Relations	$ 3,000.00	
Arkansas Council on Human Relations	1,000.00	
Florida Council on Human Relations	2,500.00	
Georgia Council on Human Relations	3,000.00	
Kentucky Council on Human Relations	500.00	
North Carolina Council on Human Relations	3,000.00	
South Carolina Council on Human Relations	3,000.00	
Tennessee Council on Human Relations	2,500.00	
Virginia Council on Human Relations	3,000.00	
Field Services Rendered - General Operations	2,500.00	24,000.00
Field Foundation:		
Alabama Council on Human Relations	$ 2,000.00	
Arkansas Council on Human Relations	1,300.00	
Florida Council on Human Relations	1,300.00	
Georgia Council on Human Relations	1,300.00	
Kentucky Council on Human Relations	500.00	
North Carolina Council on Human Relations	1,400.00	
South Carolina Council on Human Relations	1,400.00	
Tennessee Council on Human Relations	1,300.00	
Virginia Council on Human Relations	1,500.00	
Delta Foundation - Mississippi Field Work	500.00	12,500.00
Arkansas Council on Human Relations - Rockefeller Brothers Fund		8,000.00
Individual Contributions:		
Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia and North Carolina		1,499.62
Total Disbursements		$ 78,594.85
Balance, October 31, 1960	$38,500.00	

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

PROPOSED BUDGETS - 1961

Synopsis

General Operations	
Proposed Budget - 1961	$122,975.00
Income Forecast - 1961	85,700.00
Balance to be Raised	$ 37,275.00

Special Projects	
Proposed Budget - 1961	$142,500.00
Income Forecast - 1961	92,000.00
Balance to be Raised	$ 50,500.00

PROPOSED BUDGET - GENERAL OPERATIONS - 1961

Minimum Operating Budget*

Salaries	$ 76,200.00
Social Security Taxes	1,900.00
Travel	8,500.00
Telephone & Telegraph	4,000.00
Executive Committee and Annual Meetings	4,000.00
Books and Subscriptions	175.00
Office Supplies & Equipment	4,000.00
NEW SOUTH, Printing & Postage	9,000.00
Postage	1,200.00
Printing	3,500.00
Insurance, Staff Benefits	1,200.00
Insurance, Other	400.00
Rent	7,200.00
Accounting & Other Fees	500.00
Office Repairs & Maintenance	200.00
Miscellaneous	1,000.00
TOTAL:	$122,975.00

*See enclosed Budget Analysis, 1960 for comparison.

INCOME FORECAST - General Operations:

Foundations:

Field Foundation	$25,000.00	
Taconic Foundation	25,000.00	
Fund for the Republic*	15,000.00	
Rockefeller Brothers Fund	4,000.00	
Marion Ascoli Fund	1,000.00	
Adele Levy Fund	1,000.00	
		$71,000.00

Other:

Churches*	$ 3,200.00	
Organizations*	3,000.00	
Individuals & Office Related*	8,500.00	
		14,700.00
	TOTAL:	$85,700.00
	BALANCE TO BE RAISED:	$37,275.00

*Estimated.

PROPOSED BUDGETS & INCOME FORECAST
SPECIAL PROJECTS, 1961

1. **Southern Leadership Project**

Proposed Budget	$ 40,000.00	
Income Forecast:		
Rockefeller Brothers Fund	40,000.00	
Balance to be raised		$ -0-

2. **Grants-in-Aid, State Councils**

Proposed Budget	50,000.00	
Income Forecast:		
Taconic Foundation	25,000.00	
The Field Foundation	12,500.00	
Balance to be raised		12,500.00

3. **Research Department**

Proposed Budget	25,000.00	
Income Forecast:		
none	--	
Balance to be raised		25,000.00

4. **Fellowship of the Concerned**

Proposed Budget	5,000.00	
Income Forecast:		
John H. Whitney Foundation	2,000.00	
Balance to be raised		3,000.00

5. **Special Fund for non-SRC Programs**

Proposed Budget	7,500.00	
Income Forecast:		
New World Foundation	7,500.00	
Balance to be raised		-0-

6. **Consultant Service Program**

Proposed Budget	15,000.00	
Income Forecast:		
Balance, 1960 -Taconic Fd.	5,000.00	
Balance to be raised		10,000.00
TOTAL BUDGETED, SPECIAL PROJECTS	$142,500.00	
BALANCE TO BE RAISED		$50,500.00

BUDGET ANALYSIS

Budget, 1960 as compared with expenditures first six months

	Approved Budget for the Full Year, 1960	Amount Spent Thru June 30
Salaries	$72,650.00	$35,670.51
Social Security Taxes	1,475.00	1,296.32
Travel	8,000.00	5,012.87
Telephone & Telegraph	4,500.00	1,769.73
Exec. Committee and Annual Meetings	3,500.00	804.28
Books & Subscriptions	150.00	138.97
Office Supplies & Equipment	1,200.00	615.46
NEW SOUTH, Postage & Printing	8,500.00	4,318.84
Postage	1,800.00	491.98
Printing	3,000.00	2,316.04
Insurance, Staff Benefits	1,000.00	493.57
Insurance, Other	100.00	702.32
Rent	3,600.00	1,800.00
Accounting & Other Fees	600.00	175.00
Office Repairs and Maintenance	250.00	431.66
Miscellaneous	1,000.00	714.13
Aid to State Councils	33,000.00	15,900.00
TOTALS:	$ 144,325.00	$ 72,651.68

PROPOSED STATE ASSISTANCE, 1961

State	Regular SRC Grant 1960	Matching Grant 1960	Funds raised locally first 3 quarters 1960	Proposed Basic Grant	Proposed Matching Grant	Total SRC Assistance Possible
Alabama*	$4,200	$3,000	$8,478	$3,900	$2,400	$ 6,300
Arkansas	3,500	2,000	1,785	3,200	2,000	5,200
Florida	3,900	2,500	5,326	3,400	2,000	5,400
Georgia*	3,500	4,500	4,109	3,500	2,000	5,500
Kentucky	1,500	500	550	750	750	1,500
North Carolina	3,900	3,000	6,107	3,600	2,100	5,700
South Carolina	3,900	3,000	4,056	3,700	2,300	6,000
Tennessee	3,500	2,500	3,652	3,500	2,100	5,600
Virginia	3,900	3,000	6,713	3,900	2,400	6,300
Houston					1,500	1,500
State Aid Discretionary Fund	1,200			1,000		1,000
Totals	$33,000	$24,000	$40,376	$30,450	$19,550	$50,000

* Proposed grants contingent upon employment of full time state staff

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Accountant's Certificate

We have examined the financial statement of the the Southern Regional Council, Inc., for the year ended December 31, 1960. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion the accompanying statements taken from the full audit present fairly the financial position of the Southern Regional Council, Inc., at December 31, 1960, and the results of its operations for the year then ended.

Daniel E. Harrison

Daniel E. Harrison
Registered Public Accountant

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

BALANCE SHEET

December 31, 1960

ASSETS

Funds toward future obligations, 1960-61:		
Cash in Bank - Checking	$ 51,988.15	
Investment in Securities (Market Value 12/31/60)	128,755.75	$180,743.90
Inventory, Pamphlets	$ 1,500.00	
Office Equipment	5,521.25	
Accounts Receivable	4,027.54	11,048.79
Total Assets		$191,792.69

LIABILITIES

Due to Special Projects, 1960-61:		
Research Department	$ 152.16	
Consultant Service Program	7,074.66	
Registration and Voting Survey	1,552.91	
Fellowship of the Concerned	318.78	
Southern Leadership Project	31,366.55	
Special Fund for Educational Projects	8,784.24	
New Orleans Project	4,870.44	$ 54,119.74
Special Grants-in-Aid to State Councils on Human Relations	$ 41,500.00	
Advance Appropriations, General Operations:		
1961	38,000.00	
Reserve Fund	38,827.21	
Obligations Outstanding	6,955.44	125,282.65
Total Liabilities		$179,402.39
Excess of Assets over Liabilities		12,390.30
Total		$191,792.69

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSES - GENERAL OPERATIONS
January 1, 1960 to December 31, 1960

INCOME

Contributions:		
Foundations	$ 98,400.00	
Labor & Other Organizations	3,785.00	
Churches	4,050.00	
Individuals	28,870.63	$135,105.63
Interest Income	1,528.54	
Dividends on Securities	3,132.76	
NEW SOUTH Subscriptions	5,587.50	
Sale of Literature	1,044.80	
Reserve Fund (Moving Expenses)	6,340.11	
Associate Members' Dues	95.00	
Overhead from project grants	4,000.00	21,728.71
Total Income		$156,834.34

EXPENSES

Salaries	$ 72,917.89	
Social Security Taxes	2,193.28	
Travel	9,096.37	
Telephone and Telegraph	4,259.45	
Executive Committee & Annual Meetings	3,860.92	
Consultant Fees	1,100.00	
Books and Subscriptions	309.89	
Office Supplies	1,803.63	
NEW SOUTH Postage	1,751.99	
NEW SOUTH Printing	5,822.06	
Postage	1,465.35	
Printing	2,986.22	
Rent	5,100.00	
Accounting	400.00	
Georgia Sales Tax	14.48	
Miscellaneous	1,431.00	
Grants-in-Aid to State Councils	32,595.23	
Group Hospitalization Insurance	327.84	
Group Term Life Insurance	436.92	
Liability Insurance	733.32	
Retirement Insurance	908.80	
Office Repairs and Maintenance	471.16	
Moving Expense	6,340.11	156,325.91
Excess of Income over Expenses		$ 508.43

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS - SPECIAL PROJECTS
January 1, 1960 to December 31, 1960

RESEARCH DEPARTMENT

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1960		$ 28,821.54
Travel Refunds	$ 333.78	
Books & Subscriptions	45.40	379.18
Total Receipts		$ 29,200.72

DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries	$ 17,687.97	
Travel and Communication	936.25	
Printing	8,649.06	
Books & Subscriptions	1,266.60	
Office Supplies	1,045.25	
Consultants' Fees	2,208.00	
Consultants' Travel	817.97	
Total Disbursements		32,611.10
Excess of Disbursements over Receipts, December 31, 1960		(3,410.38)
Accounts Receivable 12/31/60		3,562.54
		$ 152.16

CONSULTANT SERVICE PROGRAM

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1960	$ 15,653.15
Travel Refunds	232.17
Total Receipts	$ 15,885.32

DISBURSEMENTS

Consultants' Fees	$ 3,916.10	
Travel and Communication	4,887.56	
Program Materials	7.00	
Total Disbursements		8,810.66
Balance, December 31, 1960		$ 7,074.66

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS - SPECIAL PROJECTS
January 1, 1960 to December 31, 1960

REGISTRATION AND VOTING SURVEY

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1960		$ 1,802.13

DISBURSEMENTS

Consultants' Fees	$ 180.00	
Travel and Communication	51.45	
Supplies	17.77	
Total Disbursements		249.22
Balance, December 31, 1960		$ 1,552.91

FELLOWSHIP OF THE CONCERNED

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1960		$ 1,149.37
John Hay Whitney Foundation	$2,000.00	
Phelps-Stokes Fund	2,000.00	
Mrs. Katharine Cole	10.00	
Travel Refunds	29.81	4,039.81
Total Receipts		$ 5,189.18

DISBURSEMENTS

Travel for State and Annual Workshop	$4,773.78	
Program Materials	96.62	
Total Disbursements		4,870.40
Balance, December 31, 1960		$ 318.78

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS - SPECIAL PROJECTS
January 1, 1960 to December 31, 1960

SOUTHERN LEADERSHIP PROJECT

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1960	$ 21,121.91
Rockefeller Brothers Fund	40,000.00
Total Receipts	$ 61,121.91

DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries	$ 7,543.46	
Travel and Communication	3,215.25	
Office Expense	1,478.86	
Printing and Distribution	6,578.63	
Consultants' Fees	4,809.00	
Consultants' Travel	2,130.16	
Overhead	4,000.00	
Total Disbursements		29,755.36
Balance, December 31, 1960		$ 31,366.55

SPECIAL FUND FOR EDUCATIONAL PROJECTS

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1960	$ 5,701.53
New World Foundation	5,000.00
Total Receipts	$ 10,701.53

DISBURSEMENTS

Travel	$ 122.76	
Oberlin College	50.00	
Printing - United Church Women	37.60	
Printing - ACCA Pamphlet	400.00	
Reprinting - The Agony of the Southern Minister	234.12	
Printing - Nashville Community Relations Conference	267.67	
Reprinting - A Southern Point of View	128.75	
Printing - Atlanta Medical Assoc.	676.39	
Total Disbursements		1,917.29
Balance, October 31, 1960		$ 8,784.24

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS - SPECIAL PROJECTS
August 1, 1960 to December 31, 1960

NEW ORLEANS PROJECT

RECEIPTS

Edgar Stern Family Fund		$ 19,500.00

DISBURSEMENTS

Printing, Promotion, Mailing, etc.	$ 13,191.78	
Travel and Communication	1,437.78	
Total Disbursements		14,629.56
Balance, December 31, 1960		$ 4,870.44

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SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
5 Forsyth Street, NW
Atlanta 3, Georgia

MEMORANDUM

February 24, 1961

TO: Board Members

FROM: Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

RE: Minutes of the Annual Meeting.

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Enclosed are the minutes of the 1960 Annual Meeting. It has taken some time to send invitations and receive responses from all of those nominated as new Members.

The minutes will be submitted to the Executive Committee at its April meeting. If you wish to send in changes or suggestions for the Committee's consideration, we will be happy to receive them.

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MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

November 10, 1960

The Annual Meeting of the Southern Regional Council convened at 9:45 a.m., November 10, 1960 in the Atlanta University Dining Hall, 50 Chestnut Street, S. W., Atlanta, Georgia, Mr. Dabbs presiding.

A list of members present is attached. All members of the professional staff were present with Mrs. Mildred Flowers serving as recording secretary.

Invocation by Rabbi Charles Mantinband.

The attached agenda was amended to allow financial and other administrative reports to be given during the first general session, the Report of the Nominating Committee to be given during the Executive Session, and the discussion of the situation in the South to be held during the last general session.

Introduction and Remarks by the President

The President introduced the Members present, welcomed them to the Annual Meeting, and informed the body of the expressions of regret received from Members who could not be present.

In his brief introductory remarks the President reminded the body of the constantly changing forces which challenge the Council and its program. Particular emphasis was given the student protest movement and the implications of this movement for the region. These actions on the part of Southern youth were praised by the President and described as being in the finest of Southern traditions.

Report of the Executive Committee

In the absence of the Chairman of the Committee, the attached Report of the Executive Committee was presented by Mr. Paul Christopher.

Remarks of the Executive Director

On behalf of the staff, the Executive Director expressed his pleasure at the large number of Members in attendance and his appreciation for the active role which

many members had taken in Council affairs during the year.

Since a formal report of program activities was mailed to the Members in advance and a discussion of program was scheduled for the meeting, the Director limited his remarks to defining the role of the Council and the limitations placed upon Council activities. The limitations were described as being necessary for the continuation of the Council as a positive and effective force. Among them were:

(1) Political Activity. -- The Council cannot permit itself, as an organization, to become involved in any direct political activity, to support or oppose any candidate for public office, or to attempt to influence the passage or defeat of any legislation.

This does not mean that the Council is denied the right to assist government officials and agencies or otherwise to use educational methods for constructive social change.

The Director reported that the limitation on political activity is one which the staff has strictly enforced, since the Council's tax-exempt status is dependent upon adherence to it.

(2) Legal Action. -- Except in the obvious areas of self-defense and protection of its own interests, SRC is bound by its Charter to eschew legal action.

(3) Direct Action. -- The Council is not authorized by its Charter or policies to engage in demonstrations.

This means that the Council is not free to participate in sit-ins, picketing, or other public protests. While the Council avoids demonstrations, it can play a unique and effective part in such matters through interpretation and information to the press, the public, and others.

(4) Publicity. -- Much of the Council's work can best be done without undue publicity.

This does not mean that SRC wishes to keep from public view the activities in which it is engaged. However, many of its cooperative efforts are more effectively carried on quietly. This avoids providing the Council's adversaries with a blueprint for opposition. Of equal, or perhaps

greater importance, the Council is frequently able to play a decisive role because of its reputation for discretion and confidence and the absence of sensationalism.

Conversely, much of the publicity which the Council does receive is determined by these same policies; the Council's news releases, publications, and other efforts are received seriously by much of the press and other media because of its reputation for reliable and noteworthy effort.

Financial Reports

The report on income and expenses for 1960, to date, was presented by Mrs. Alexander. The Council was informed that the usual audit for the full year would be mailed to each Member upon its completion in early 1961.

The proposed budget for 1961 was presented by Mr. Anthony. Following discussion and consideration of the items proposed, the following motion was made and unanimously adopted: That the budget be approved for 1961 subject to periodic review and revision as necessary by the Executive Committee.

Proposed Grants-in-Aid to State Council on Human Relations

Mr. Rilling reported that the state councils continue to become more stable and self-supporting. The two Councils which had been on provisional status - Tennessee and Florida - have met the conditions set for them and are now functioning as stable operations.

In the area of fund-raising, it was reported that the state councils had raised approximately $40,000 during the first three quarters of 1960, compared with a total of $33,000 raised during all of 1959.

The attached schedule of grants was proposed by the staff, with the following provisions:

(1) Aid to state councils is being removed from the general operating budget and placed in a special project budget;

(2) The total amount of aid proposed for 1961 is $50,000;

(3) The success of the matching-funds formula suggests that it should be continued.

Following Mr. Rilling's report the following motion was made and unanimously adopted: That the allocation of grants-in-aid be approved, but said grants are not to exceed $50,000 or such sums as may be secured for this particular purpose; the specific allocations shall be those recommended by the staff with any changes submitted to the Executive Committee for approval.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

By motion, unanimously approved and adopted, the Executive Director and the Secretary-Treasurer were confirmed for the coming year.

Report of the Nominating Committee

The report of the Nominating Committee was made by Miss Dorcas Ruthenburg. The report was approved and adopted as follows:

President:	James M. Dabbs
Vice-Presidents:	Albert W. Dent Rufus E. Clement Marion A. Wright Miss Josephine Wilkins
Legal Counsel:	Joseph F. Haas
Nominating Committee:	Thomas W. Young Stephen J. Wright Raymond Wheeler
Executive Committee: (In addition to above listed officers)	W. Carroll Brooke Paul Christopher John A. Griffin Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton Duncan Hunter L. D. Milton Rabbi Jacob Rothschild Alexander O. Sigur John H. Wheeler
Members - Class of '64:	Fred D. Alexander Hubert Beckwith B. R. Brazeal W. C. Brooke Most Rev. Joseph B. Brunini I. H. Burney

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Paul Christopher
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James A. Colston
Mrs. James S. Crate
Jerome Crossman
James M. Dabbs
Herbert M. Davidson
Albert W. Dent

New Members - Class of '64: Dr. Douglas Jackson, Dallas
Dr. Frank P. Graham, Chapel Hill
Mrs. Charles White, Houston

Class of '63: Wiley Branton, Pine Bluff

Class of '62: Henry Brandis, Chapel Hill

GENERAL SESSION

Mr. Dabbs expressed the gratitude of the full Council for the work of the staff during the past year.

A former member of longstanding and one active in the formation of the Council, Dr. Gordon Hancock, was introduced to the Members. Dr. Hancock expressed his appreciation for the way in which the organization had progressed. He traced the history of the Council, commenting on the contrast between the organization in past years and now. Dr. Hancock urged the Members to be prepared to change the emphasis from one of "desegregation" to "integration."

The meeting was turned over to Dr. John Griffin who led a discussion on the current situation in the South and its implications for SRC. Conditions in the states of Louisiana, Virginia, North Carolina and Arkansas were described by Members from those areas.

The body was in agreement that:

(1) All of the Council's experiences and resources will be needed to meet the imminent problems arising from the spread of desegregation to the deep South.

(2) The change of national Administrations may have profound effect on the progress of race relations in

the nation. The Council should be prepared to advise and assist in every way possible.

(3) The student protest movement was noted as an indication of the profound restlessness on the part of a portion of the South's people. The Council was urged to use all its resources to interpret this movement to the region and the nation.

An expression of appreciation was made to Dr. Clement and Atlanta University for the use of the facilities provided.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

MEMBERS AND GUESTS IN ATTENDANCE AT 1960 ANNUAL MEETING

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Raymond Wheeler
Mrs. E. M. Sparling
Albert W. Dent
H. Franklin Williams
James E. Stewart
Mrs. Austin L. Kimball
W. Carroll Brooke
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Miss Dorcas Ruthenburg
Courtney Siceloff
Gordon W. Hancock
Frederick B. Routh
Colbert Cartwright
John Griffin

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE TO THE ANNUAL MEETING

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Dr. Rufus Clement, Chairman
Presented by: Mr. Paul Christopher
November 10, 1960

Since the full Council was last assembled your Executive Committee has met three times to carry out the mandates of the 1959 Annual Meeting and to give policy direction to the staff.

We are pleased to report that, in our opinion, the year has been a productive one, and in several ways one of the most significant in the Council's 17 years of operation.

In terms of program, the staff -- which is the largest in the Council's history -- has been actively engaged in meeting the requests for services and the demands of events in this challenging time in the region. This will be evident to you in the Director's report of program activities. Financially, by past Council standards, at least, there has been a relative stability of operation. There remains the ever present problem of a substantial fund-raising effort each year but we are hopeful that the current level of support can be maintained and improved during the coming years.

Several outstanding Southerners nominated by this body last year have accepted membership in the Council. They are: Bishop John E. Hines, Houston, Tex.; Mrs. Vivian Carter Mason, Norfolk, Va.; Mr. Fred D. Alexander, Charlotte, N.C.; Mr. Stanton Smith, Nashville, Tenn.; Mr. J. Ray Shute, Monroe, N. C.; and Colonel Francis Pickens Miller, Charlottesville, Va.

We are pleased that several of these new members are with us today. We welcome them and the contributions they have to make to the deliberations of this body.

Regretfully, during the year the Council lost two of its members by virtue of the fact that both moved from the region; Mr. Stanton Smith one of our newly elected members, and a member of long standing, Dr. Merrimon Cuninggim of Dallas, Texas.

There have been no major staff changes during the year. However, we are pleased to report the part-time addition of Mr. J. J. Brewbaker, recently retired superintendent of schools of Norfolk, Virginia. He serves as a special consultant to the Southern Leadership Project, under

the direction of Colonel Benjamin Muse. Mr. Brewbaker has been actively consulting with school superintendents, school boards, and private groups concerned with the crisis which currently exists in public education.

During the year the Executive Committee, acting on recommendations from the Personnel Committee, has reviewed salaries, granted merit increases, and otherwise carried out its responsibilities with regard to personnel.

At the annual meeting last year this body instructed the Executive Committee to investigate the possibilities of a staff retirement program and to institute such a program if it seemed feasible. We are pleased to report that this has been done. After a careful investigation, a retirement program has been established based on a total cost of 4% of the salary of each individual. The program is contributory; the Council providing one-half the cost (or 2%) and the individual providing a like amount. It is based on endowment type policies providing a stated amount of monthly retirement benefits with continuation, conversion, or withdrawal options for the individual upon termination of his employment with the Council.

At the September meeting of the Executive Committee it was proposed that the Council develop a project to reach presidents of state and local bar associations in an effort to alert them to their responsibilities in controversial situations, and to point out to them the dangers involved when attorneys and bar associations abdicate such responsibilities. Accordingly, the Executive Committee unanimously adopted the following motion: "That a special committee be set up, composed of the attorneys who are members of the Southern Regional Council, to work on establishing communication with state and local bar association presidents in an effort to remind them of their professional responsibilities in unpopular causes."

The Council is operating this year on a budget of $236,625. Also, the Council secured special grants for additional aid to state councils on human relations in the amount of $37,500. Thus, our total expenditures for the year will be approximately $275,000.00.

The budget for 1961, as approved by the Executive Committee for your consideration today, represents a total proposed expenditure of $265,475. When this proposed budget is presented, you will note that there remains $87,775 yet to be raised. This is a sizeable fund-raising task, but it is the opinion of the Executive Committee and the staff that this amount can be raised.

This rate of expenditure of approximately $275,000 per year has been maintained for the past two years and appears to be the general level of expenditure at which the Council can operate most efficiently. With this in mind, we hope during 1961 to raise from new sources an amount of $100,000 per year for a period of five years. If this goal could be reached, the Council's continued operation at its current level would be virtually assured. There would remain a substantial fund-raising responsibility each year but, hopefully, it would not be of the burdensome nature of the past several years. This would not only add a desired measure of stability but would free a substantial amoung of professional staff time for program work.

This campaign for 1961 has already begun. A member of the Executive Committee, Miss Josephine Wilkins, has spent the past several months approaching foundations and attempting to interest new sources of support for the Council's program. Most regretfully, Miss Wilkins was the victim of a serious accident some weeks ago and is now confined to a New York hospital. It will, however, come as no surprise to those who know her that Miss Wilkins' personal efforts on behalf of the Council have continued from her hospital bed.

The Director has had an opportunity to visit several of the foundations which Miss Wilkins has interested. Also as an outcome of Miss Wilkins' efforts, the President and the Director were recently the guests of Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt at her home where Mrs. Roosevelt had invited a group of potential contributors to hear of the work of the Council.

Mr. E. T. Kehrer of the board has greatly assisted the staff in finding new sources of support from labor, and the Executive Director recently spent a week in California with potentially interested individuals and foundations. Both of these efforts should, in time, prove helpful.

In this regard also, the Members will be interested in knowing that in a letter of January 29, 1960, the Internal Revenue Service reaffirmed the Council's tax-exempt status.

The Executive Committee has exercised its responsibility in supervising the grants-in-aid program for the state councils on human relations. We are pleased to report that most of these state councils are showing increased vigor in both program and fund-raising. Later in the meeting, you will have before you, for approval, the grants-in-aid schedule for 1961, which has been reviewed and approved by the Executive Committee.

Another noteworthy event of the year has been the Council's move to more adequate quarters in downtown Atlanta. Many of you have seen the new office space and, while it is by no means elaborate, it does represent a move toward a more business-like and efficient operation. Many Members will recall the former quarters in the Wesley Memorial Building and the Council's restricted and awkward efforts to expand and find adequate space for its growing operation. It is a significant commentary on the progress in the region and the growing status of the organization that the Council was able to make this move, which would likely have been impossible a few years ago.

The Executive Committee has expressed to the Trustees of the Wesley Memorial Building the Council's deep gratitude for their assistance and understanding during the approximately 15 years in which the Council was a tenant in their building.

In conclusion, it is the opinion of your Executive Committee that the year 1960 has been a rewarding one. The programs and services of the Council have continued to grow to meet the ever-increasing demands placed upon them. There has been a continuing growth in the recognition of the Council as a constructive and responsible force in these changing times.

The Executive Committee, the staff, and -- we feel sure -- the Members of this body are aware that the responsibilities and challenges of the Council are such that we cannot entertain the least measure of complacency about our skills, our achievements, or our progress. It is in this spirit that we approach 1961 and the Council's 18th year of operation.

PROPOSED STATE ASSISTANCE, 1961

State	Regular SRC Grant 1960	Matching Grant 1960	Funds raised locally first 3 quarters 1960	Proposed Basic Grant	Proposed Matching Grant	Total SRC Assistance Possible
Alabama*	$4,200	$3,000	$8,478	$3,900	$2,400	$ 6,300
Arkansas	3,500	2,000	1,785	3,200	2,000	5,200
Florida	3,900	2,500	5,326	3,400	2,000	5,400
Georgia*	3,500	4,500	4,109	3,500	2,000	5,500
Kentucky	1,500	500	550	750	750	1,500
North Carolina	3,900	3,000	6,107	3,600	2,100	5,700
South Carolina	3,900	3,000	4,056	3,700	2,300	6,000
Tennessee	3,500	2,500	3,652	3,500	2,100	5,600
Virginia	3,900	3,000	6,713	3,900	2,400	6,300
Houston					1,500	1,500
State Aid Discretionary Fund	1,200			1,000		1,000
Totals	$33,000	$24,000	$40,376	$30,450	$19,550	$50,000

* Proposed grants contingent upon employment of full time state staff

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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

A Council to attain, through research and action, the ideals and practices of equal opportunity for all peoples in the South.

MEMORANDUM March 10, 1960

Confidential

To: Board Members

From: Harold C. Fleming
Executive Director

Since the student protest movement has become a matter of major importance, we feel you should have a brief account of the activities of SRC and state councils in the situation.

Shortly after the "sit-ins" began in North Carolina, John Constable, Director of Information, made a quick visit to the major cities of that state. He talked with Negro leaders, students, city officials, and others. His findings were useful for immediate program planning and will be the basis of a forthcoming New South article.

Partly as a result of that visit, we sent two consultants to Raleigh, at the Mayor's invitation. A similar consultant service by John Hope, under the auspices of the Tennessee Council and its Nashville affiliate, has led to the establishment of a bi-racial negotiating committee in Nashville.

Benjamin Muse, for our Southern Leadership Project, has been at work among community leaders in Raleigh, Durham, and Greensboro, N. C. His current reports from these cities encourage our cautious hopes for an early solution through quiet desegregation of lunch-counters there.

The issue appears about to come to a head here in Atlanta. We are trying to be helpful in promoting a meeting of minds among the students, ministers, business men, city officials, and other community leaders of both races.

Several of the state councils have played constructive roles in the situation. The North Carolina, South Carolina, and Virginia Councils on Human Relations have issued statements in support of the students and peaceful change. In these states and in Tennessee, the councils have offered to serve as instruments of negotiation. In Alabama, the state council is doing what it can in Montgomery and Birmingham, but there is little immediate hope for solution in that harsh official climate.

SRC has given major assistance to the New York Times, the Washington Post, the Christian Science Monitor, the Wall Street Journal, the Atlanta newspapers, AP and UPI, Business Week, Newsweek, Time, Life, and other publications; also to the news departments of the three major television networks. Vice President Marion A. Wright represented SRC's viewpoint most ably on the Garroway "Today" show on NBC.

Feeling that facts and interpretation were badly needed, Leslie Dunbar and his research staff prepared and released in record time the special report called "The Student Protest Movement, Winter 1960." The report has been widely publicized in the press and used by other concerned agencies. Because of the heavy demand for it, we are today preparing a "second edition", updated.

Throughout, we have worked closely with like-minded organizations -- student and religious -- that are constructively involved. A regionwide settlement is still a distant prospect, and the increase in repressive measures is gravely disturbing. We may expect to be heavily occupied with these problems for some time to come.

You may also be interested to know that the Council's material has again figured prominently in the civil rights debates of Congress. On February 27, Senator Jacob Javits made several references to SRC material and inserted into the Record a lengthy analysis from our background report on school desegregation. He pointed out, in introducing this material, that Senator Sparkman of Alabama had cited SRC as an authoritative source a few days earlier!

Best regards.

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MEMORANDUM June 13, 1960

To: Members of the Council

From: Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

Re: DATE OF SRC ANNUAL MEETING.

The date of the annual meeting, as established by the By-Laws of the Council, will be Wednesday, November 9.

The meeting will be held in Atlanta, beginning at 10:00 a.m. You will receive detailed information about the meeting. However, we wanted to inform you of the meeting at this early date in the hopes that you will place this date on your calendar and plan to be present.

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ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

June 14, 1960

Mr. Paul Anthony
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Dear Mr. Anthony:

I regret that I will be unable to attend the annual meeting of the Southern Regional Council in Atlanta on Wednesday, November 9. I must be in New York at that time for a meeting of the Board of Trustees of Atlanta University.

With kind regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

Rufus E. Clement

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July 15, 1960

Mr. Paul Anthony, Executive Assistant
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Dear Mr. Anthony:

Wednesday, November 9, is an open date on my calendar.

You may expect me to attend the Board Meeting on that date.

Yours truly,

W. E. Solomon

W. E. Solomon,
Executive Secretary

WES/bfb

August 25, 1960

Mr. Herbert Davidson
Daytona Beach Morning Journal
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Herbert:

The day after election day is certainly far from ideal for our meeting, although members whose only duty is voting should be able to make it.

In any case, since the date is set by the bylaws and can be changed only b majority vote of the Executive Committee, I know nothing to do but submit the question at the Committee's next meeting on September 27. This is pretty late for a change of date, but I'm sure the Committee will give earnest consideration to the problem.

The Tomoka Park and Daytona Beach developments are heartening, as are the instances of lunch-counters desegregation generally. It looks as though the Fall will be even more stimulating.

My best regards.

Sincerely,

Harold C. Fleming
Executive Director

HCF/mf

When was first notice mailed?

Daytona Beach Evening News
DAYTONA BEACH MORNING JOURNAL
The Sunday News-Journal

OFFICE OF THE EDITOR DAYTONA BEACH, FLORIDA

June 13, 1960
mf

Aug. 16, 1960

Mr. Harold Fleming
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Room 432
63 Auburn Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Harold:

I've been meaning to write you protesting the date of the annual meeting, Nov. 9. That's the day after election day. Of course, I can't be there, and I am sure many others won't be able to make it for the same reason.

A week earlier would be much better. Two weeks earlier would be even better than that, if the bylaws could be squirmed around.

I suppose you read in A.P. dispatches that the State Park Board voted to reopen Tomoka Park, north of here, which had been closed when a rather large group of Negroes picnicked in the White area. They have not announced it, but I have reason to believe this means the "white" and "colored" signs will come down on the picnic areas, although probably not on the rest rooms. And also that Daytona Beach has joined the cities with integrated chain store lunch counters. Cá marche!

LWD - on our list?

As ever,

Herbert

Herbert M. Davidson/nb

Southern Regional Council, Inc.
ROOM 432, 63 AUBURN AVENUE, N. E. ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA
JAckson 2-8764

HAROLD C. FLEMING
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

A Council to attain, through research and action, the ideals and practices of equal opportunity for all peoples in the South.

MEMORANDUM September 1, 1960

To: Members and Friends of SRC

From: Harold C. Fleming
Executive Director

This is to let you know, in advance of the routine notices, that we will be moving to new offices on September 9.

For some time now, we have labored under the difficulty of a divided operation, being spread over three floors of the Wesley Memorial Building. Recently we were offered ample space -- all on one floor -- in a downtown office building, at an advantageous rent. (It has the added attraction of central air conditioning -- which makes the prospect of next summer much more pleasant.) The location is quite convenient -- directly opposite the Atlanta Journal-Constitution Building in the heart of the downtown area. The details of the proposed move were submitted to the Executive Committee, which by mail ballot voted unanimous approval. The lease has been signed, renovations are in progress, and we expect to move on schedule a week from Friday.

As I needn't tell you, we are grateful to the Trustees of the North Georgia Conference of The Methodist Church (who operate the Wesley Memorial Building) for providing rental space, aid, and comfort for these many years. We have given ample expression of SRC's gratitude to them.

Our new address will be 5 Forsyth Street, N. W., Atlanta 3, Georgia. (our telephone number will remain unchanged.) We hope that Members will find it possible to visit the new offices at the time of the Annual Meeting, if not sooner, and that our friends will do so whenever opportunity permits.

Best regards.

Daily file

Southern Regional Council, Inc.

ROOM 432, 63 AUBURN AVENUE, N. E. ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA

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HAROLD C. FLEMING
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

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MEMORANDUM September 28, 1960

To: Members of the Council

From: Harold C. Fleming
Executive Director

Re: PROPOSED CHANGE OF ANNUAL MEETING DATE.

At the Executive Committee meeting just held, I was instructed to poll the membership of SRC regarding a proposed change of the annual meeting date.

As prescribed by the By-Laws, our meeting date this year falls on November 9, the day after the General Election. A few members have notified us that this will make their attendance impossible.

Since the Executive Committee has discretion, within limits, to change the meeting date, the Committee felt it would be wise to determine the members' views on moving the meeting by one day -- from Wednesday, November 9, to Thursday, November 10. We are apologetic, of course, about raising this question such a relatively short time before the date set.

An addressed postal card is enclosed. Please indicate which date you prefer and if you will be able to attend on either or both of them. A prompt reply will enable us to notify the membership shortly whether or not the date will be changed or will remain as is.

Thanks for your cooperation, and best regards.

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THE METHODIST CHURCH
THE ATLANTIC COAST AREA
MARQUIS LAFAYETTE HARRIS, RESIDENT BISHOP
250 AUBURN AVENUE, N. E.
ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA

September 29, 1960

Dr. Harold C. Fleming
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta 3, G orgia

Dear Dr. Fleming:

This comes to express my genuine regret that I will be out of town November 8-13 holding the Florida Annual Conference.

I want to extend to you my best wishes for a successful meeting. I only wish I could be there.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Marquis L. Harris

Marquis L. Harris

MLH:VD

October 13, 1960

Colonel Francis Pickens Miller
P. O. Box 3665
University Station
Charlottesville, Virginia

Dear Col. Miller:

Harold Fleming is away from the office, but asked that I insert a note with the enclosed memo pertaining to your letter of September 30.

We certainly would like very much to have you attend the Annual Meeting and feel that your participation would be of considerable value to us. By long custom, the Council is responsible for expenses incurred.

You will note that the date on which you can be present - the 10th - has been selected by the majority. If at all possible, we hope you will arrive in time to attend the informal meeting on the evening of the 9th.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

PA/mf
enclosures

PICKENS HILL
FARMINGTON

FRANCIS PICKENS MILLER
BOX 3665 UNIVERSITY STATION
CHARLOTTESVILLE, VIRGINIA

September 30, 1960

Mr. Harold C. Fleming
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Harold:

I can't get to Atlanta for the Council meeting if it is held on November 9. I could come on Thursday, November 10, if my expenses were paid, but I am really not sure that my presence is worth that much to the Council. If the meeting is held on the tenth let me know what you think.

Ever yours,

Francis

Francis P. Miller

FPM:ge

October 26, 1960

Colonel Francis P. Miller
P. O. Box 3665
University Station
Charlottesville, Virginia

Dear Col. Miller:

A room has been reserved for you at the Piedmont Hotel for the night of November 9. This is the first stop of the airport limousine and should be convenient for arrival and departure.

We look forward to seeing you on the evening of the 9th.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

PA/mf

October 19, 1960

Rabbi Charles Mantinband
808 Mamie Street
Hattiesburg, Mississippi

Dear Rabbi Mantinband:

We have reserved a room for you at the Piedmont Hotel for November 9. This hotel, as you may recall, is the first stop of the airport limousine.

The requested travel advance is enclosed.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

PA/mf
Enclosure - 1. (Check #2196; $100.00)

October 19, 1960

Reverend Caxton Doggett
The Methodist Church
P. O. Box 825
Winter Park, Florida

Dear Mr. Doggett:

We have reserved a room for you at the Piedmont Hotel for November 9, This hotel, as you may recall, is the first stop of the airport limousine.

We are pleased that you will be here and look forward to seeing you on the evening of the 9th.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

PA/mf

October 19, 1960

Mr. Irving Carlyle
Wachovia Bank Building
Winston-Salem, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Carlyle:

We have reserved a room for you at the Piedmont Hotel for November 9. This hotel, as you may recall, is the first stop of the airport limousine.

We are pleased that you will be here and look forward to seeing you on the evening of the 9th.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

PA/mf

October 13, 1960

Mr. J. Ray Shute
317 E. Windsor Street
Monroe, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Shute:

I trust the enclosed memo will answer the questions you have concerning the meeting. We hope it will be possible for you to be here on the evening of the 9th, and look forward to seeing you then or on the 10th.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

PA/mf
Enclosures

October 13, 1960

Mr. Marion A. Wright
Top Knot
Linville Falls, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Wright:

In light of your Durham engagement on November 10, I am sorry the majority has selected that date for the Annual Meeting. Dr. Clement cannot attend on either date. Thus, we feel that we are loosing two of our strongest participants. Is there any chance that you can switch engagements in Durham? If there is anything we can do to help make a change possible, please let us know.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

PA/mf
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HAROLD C FLEMING

ROOM 201 5 FORSTH ST SW ATLA

BEST WISHES FOR SUCCESSFUL MEETING REGRET UNABLE TO BE THERE

EUGENIA RAYZOR.

November 8, 1960

Mr. J. Ray Shute
317 E. Windsor Street
Monroe, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Shute:

I deeply regret that you have had to cancel your plans to attend Annual Meeting. We on the staff have been looking forward to meeting you, and I am sure the officers and other members have been too. In any case, I do hope we will have an opportunity to get acquainted in the very near future. Meanwhile, my best regards.

Sincerely,

Harold C. Fleming
Executive Director

HCF/mf

Monroe, N.C., Nov. 2nd

Dear Mr. Fleming:

Conditions over which I have no control force me to cancel my plans to attend the Annual Meeting on the 10th. To say that I am sorry is to put it lightly.

Cordially,

J. Ray Shute

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H. GRADY BARNHILL, JR.

TELEPHONE
PARK 5-1311

November 7, 1960

Nov. 9 Cancelled
Piedmont

Mr. Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Room 201
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Anthony:

On account of having to get ready for the trial of a case set for next Monday, and on account of other matters, I shall not be able to get to Atlanta this week for the meeting, as originally planned. Therefore, I ask that you please cancel my room reservation at the Piedmont Hotel for November 9. I regret that these conflicts have arisen.

Yours very truly,

Irving E. Carlyle

Irving E. Carlyle

Ja. 4-2431

IEC:BA

REV. W. CARROLL BROOKE
POST OFFICE BOX 208
STAUNTON, VIRGINIA

Nov. 5, 1960

Dear Paul,

I find that I shall have to be in Staunton until Wednesday evening, so please cancel my reservation at the Piedmont Hotel. I shall arrive in Atlanta in time for the Board meeting on Thursday. Hope the response has been good.

Please send me ~~two~~ three copies of Report L-20 that I received to-day. I am anxious for the secretary of our Chamber of Commerce to read it and two other important persons. Thanks.

Best regards,

Sincerely
Carroll Brooke

VIA AIR MAIL SPECIAL

November 4, 1960

Reverend Hubert Beckwith
Box 288
Annandale, Virginia

Dear Mr. Beckwith:

Enclosed is a travel advance of $100. I trust this delay has not inconvenienced you. We must have misplaced it here or else - and unlikely - the mails let us down, for we have no record of mail from you since the rturned postal card of September 30.

Whatever the circumstances, we are pleased to know that you are coming and look forward to seeing you on the 9th.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

PA/mf
Enclosure - 1. (Check #2272; $100.00)

November 3, 1960

Mrs. Vivian C. Mason
6401 Virginia Beach Boulevard
Norfolk, Virginia

Dear Mrs. Mason:

We are pleased to know that you will be present for the annual meeting. If you arrive late on the 9th, by all means come by the office if possible. We are directly across the street from one train station and only a few blocks from the other. After the meeting a number of persons will be going to Atlanta University.

The requested travel advance is enclosed.

I am sure that Mr. Fleming would be pleased to talk with you about your project, either after the meeting or on the following day.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

PA/hs

November 2, 1960

Dr. Riley B. Montgomery
President
College of the Bible
Lexington, Kentucky

Dear Dr. Montgomery:

We are pleased that you can make the Annual Meeting. A room has been reserved for you at the Piedmont Hotel for the 9th, and we look forward to seeing you that evening.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

PA/mf

November 3, 1960

Mrs. James S. Crate
8510 Ferris Street
Houston 35, Texas

Dear Mrs. Crate:

A room has been reserved for you at the Piedmont Hotel. This is the first stop on the airport bus and only three blocks from the office.

We look forward to seeing you on the evening of the 9th.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

PA/hs

November 3, 1960

Dr. Rufus Clement, President
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Dr. Clement:

Enclosed is a draft of a report of the Executive Committee for the Annual Meeting for your approval and suggestions. We will, of course, welcome any changes you may wish to make in this.

We are very sorry that it will be impossible for you to be with us on the 10th.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

PA/hs

November 1, 1960

Dr. Guy B. Johnson
University of North Carolina
Chapel Hill, North Carolina

Dear Dr. Johnson:

A room has been reserved for you at the Piedmont Hotel in downtown Atlanta for the night of November 9. In the event that you are flying, this is the first stop of the airport limousine.

We look forward to seeing you on the evening of the 9.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

PA/mf

October 32, 1960

Dr. H. Franklin Williams
Vice President
University of Miami
Coral Gables 46, Florida

Dear Dr. Williams:

A room has been reserved for you at the Piedmont Hotel for the night of November 9. We look forward to seeing you at the office at 6:30 that evening.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

PA/mf

October 31, 1960

Mr. J. J. Brewbaker
545 Mayflower Road
Norfolk, Virginia

Dear Brew:

A room at the Piedmont Hotel has been reserved for you for November 9 and 10.

I do hope you can work something out with the P.T.A. group in East Point. It is encouraging that that section of greater Atlanta is showing interest in the problem.

We look forward to seeing you on the 9th.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

PA/mf

October 26, 1960

Reverend Thomas R. Thrasher
Chapel of the Cross
Chapel Hill, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Thrasher:

We have reserved a room for you at the Georgia Terrace for the nights of November 9 and 10. If you find that you will arrive later than 6:00 p.m., please let them know.

Incidentally, Paul Christopher will be staying next door at the Cox-Carlton and you may want to get together on such matters as transportation.

We look forward to seeing you on the evening of the 9th.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

PA/mf

October 26, 1960

Mr. James E. Stewart
548 N. E. Fourth Street
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Dear Mr. Stewart:

A reservation has been made for you at the University Motel for the nights, November 9 and 10. Enclosed is the requested travel advance of $129.92.

We look forward to seeing you on the evening of the 9th.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

PA/mf
Enclosure - 1. (Check #2228; $129.92)

October 26, 1960

Mrs. Austin Kimball
3131 S. W. First Avenue
Black Acres
Gainesville, Florida

Dear Mrs. Kimball:

A room has been reserved for you and Mr. Kimball at the Heart of Atlanta Motel for the nights of November 9 and 10. If you find that you will arrive after 5:00 p.m., please let them know so that your room will be held.

We hope that Mr. Kimball will be with you for our informal meeting at the office on the evening of the 9, and look forward to seeing you then.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

PA/mf

October 26, 1960

Rev. W. Carroll Brooke
Trinity Episcopal Church
P. O. Box 203
Staunton, Virginia

Dear Mr. Brooke:

A room has been reserved for you at the Piedmont for the night of November 9th. We look forward to seeing you that evening.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

PA/mf

October 26, 1960

Mr. Paul R. Christopher
Regional Director, AFL-CIO
216 Flatiron Building
Knoxville, Tennessee

Dear Paul:

A room has been reserved for you at the Cox-Carlton for the nights of November 9 and 10. Thomas Thrasher will be staying next door at the Georgian Terrace and you may want to get together on such matters as transportation.

We look forward to seeing you on the evening of the 9th.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

PA/mf

1474 E. Long St.
Columbus 3, Ohio
Oct. 13, 1958

Dear Dr. Fleming:

Thank you for the announcement of the time and place of the annual meeting of the Council. As I am on leave from the Institute this school year, it will not be possible for me to attend it. I really hate to miss it, as this is a time for effective thinking and acting. Best wishes for a good meeting.

Sincerely,
C. G. Gorhillion

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THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

Dr. Harold C. Fleming, Exec. Dir.
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
63 Auburn Ave., N.E. - Room 432
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Alabama State College
Montgomery, Alabama
FOUNDED IN 1874

H. COUNCILL TRENHOLM, PRESIDENT

November 7, 1960

Mr. Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant
Southern Regional Council
Room 201
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

IN RE: Annual Meeting

Dear Mr. Anthony:

I regret that I must dispatch this letter this morning and indicate that I will not attend the Annual Meeting on Thursday, November 10. I had been making intensive effort to prepare to be away at that time. However, I am quite off schedule with some over-due administrative obligations which require my intensive attention throughout this week. I am at increasing disadvantage because of some additional emergency-chores which have arisen within the past two weeks.

Please convey to the members of the Council this expression of apology and regret that I cannot be present.

It will also be necessary to cancel any reservations which may have been made at Atlanta University for me.

Yours very truly,

H. Councill Trenholm

H. Councill Trenholm

HCT:wjj

JC

ALSO: Miss Alice Cobb (SRC Board member who has been at Highlander Folk School) requests mail sent to her at:

The Waverly
Hendersonville, North Carolina

(Please pass this info on to all concerned)

THE FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY

TALLAHASSEE

DIRECTOR OF UNIVERSITY RELATIONS

Pal. what happened to you. I got delayed before leaving here but left word to tell you if you called that I would pick ypu up in front of the curthouse. I didn't see you so I parked and wnet up to the court room. The Fla Council man was on the stand and after a few minutes reference was made to the previous testimony and I understood you must have been called and excused already.

Incidentally there were efforts to link Council with SCEFund in the qeustions asked while I was there.

What was the pamphlet referred to? The voting study?

I am very dispappointed not to have had a cnace for a visit you today and I am sorry that there wasn't even the chance for the quickie (visit, not drink (we're a dry town)) on the way to airport.

Don't you can plan a Talla visit again without getting me in on the logistics.

John

I will be present for the Annual Meeting on November 10th:

I will ☐ will not ☐ be present for the buffet supper and informal get-together on the evening of the 9th.

Please reserve accommodations for me for the night(s) of: _____

at: ATLANTA UNIVERSITY _____

HOTEL _____

MOTEL _____

SRC will be happy to provide a travel advance. If you desire an advance please indicate the amount: $_____.

If we can be of other assistance, please indicate below.

Signed: _____

MEMBERS AND GUESTS IN ATTENDANCE AT 1960 ANNUAL MEETING

- : -

Fred Alexander
Raymond Wheeler
Mrs. E. M. Sparling
Albert W. Dent
H. Franklin Williams
James E. Stewart
Mrs. Austin L. Kimball
W. Carroll Brooke
Francis Pickens Miller
Thomas W. Young
Thomas R. Thrasher
Paul R. Christopher
Rabbi Charles Mantinband
Caxton Doggett
Mrs. Vivian Mason
R. B. Montgomery
Guy B. Johnson
Miss Alice Cobb
Charles T. Steele
C. G. Gomillion
S. E. Duncan
Lee B. Thomas, Jr.
Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton
Bell I. Wiley
J. M. Dabbs
James Stokely
Miss Dorcas Ruthenburg
Courtney Siceloff
Gordon W. Hancock
Frederick B. Routh
Colbert Cartwright
John Griffin

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MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

November 10, 1960

The Annual Meeting of the Southern Regional Council convened at 9:45 a.m., November 10, 1960 in the Atlanta University Dining Hall, 50 Chestnut Street, S. W., Atlanta, Georgia, Mr. Dabbs presiding.

A list of members present is attached. All members of the professional staff were present with Mrs. Mildred Flowers serving as recording secretary.

Invocation by Rabbi Charles Mantinband.

The attached agenda was amended to allow financial and other administrative reports to be given during the first general session, the Report of the Nominating Committee to be given during the Executive Session, and the discussion of the situation in the South to be held during the last general session.

Introduction and Remarks by the President

The President introduced the Members present, welcomed them to the Annual Meeting, and informed the body of the expressions of regret received from Members who could not be present.

In his brief introductory remarks the President reminded the body of the constantly changing forces which challenge the Council and its program. Particular emphasis was given the student protest movement and the implications of this movement for the region. These actions on the part of Southern youth were praised by the President and described as being in the finest of Southern traditions.

Report of the Executive Committee

In the absence of the Chairman of the Committee, the attached Report of the Executive Committee was presented by Mr. Paul Christopher.

Remarks of the Executive Director

On behalf of the staff, the Executive Director expressed his pleasure at the large number of Members in attendance and his appreciation for the active role which

many members had taken in Council affairs during the year.

Since a formal report of program activities was mailed to the Members in advance and a discussion of program was scheduled for the meeting, the Director limited his remarks to defining the role of the Council and the limitations placed upon Council activities. The limitations were described as being necessary for the continuation of the Council as a positive and effective force. Among them were:

(1) Political Activity. -- The Council cannot permit itself, as an organization, to become involved in any direct political activity, to support or oppose any candidate for public office, or to attempt to influence the passage or defeat of any legislation.

This does not mean that the Council is denied the right to assist government officials and agencies or otherwise to use educational methods for constructive social change.

The Director reported that the limitation on political activity is one which the staff has strictly enforced, since the Council's tax-exempt status is dependent upon adherence to it.

(2) Legal Action. -- Except in the obvious areas of self-defense and protection of its own interests, SRC is bound by its Charter to eschew legal action.

(3) Direct Action. -- The Council is not authorized by its Charter or policies to engage in demonstrations.

This means that the Council is not free to participate in sit-ins, picketing, or other public protests. While the Council avoids demonstrations, it can play a unique and effective part in such matters through interpretation and information to the press, the public, and others.

(4) Publicity. -- Much of the Council's work can best be done without undue publicity.

This does not mean that SRC wishes to keep from public view the activities in which it is engaged. However, many of its cooperative efforts are more effectively carried on quietly. This avoids providing the Council's adversaries with a blueprint for opposition. Of equal, or perhaps

greater importance, the Council is frequently able to play a decisive role because of its reputation for discretion and confidence and the absence of sensationalism.

Conversely, much of the publicity which the Council does receive is determined by these same policies; the Council's news releases, publications, and other efforts are received seriously by much of the press and other media because of its reputation for reliable and noteworthy effort.

Financial Reports

The report on income and expenses for 1960, to date, was presented by Mrs. Alexander. The Council was informed that the usual audit for the full year would be mailed to each Member upon its completion in early 1961.

The proposed budget for 1961 was presented by Mr. Anthony. Following discussion and consideration of the items proposed, the following motion was made and unanimously adopted: That the budget be approved for 1961 subject to periodic review and revision as necessary by the Executive Committee.

Proposed Grants-in-Aid to State Council on Human Relations

Mr. Rilling reported that the state councils continue to become more stable and self-supporting. The two Councils which had been on provisional status - Tennessee and Florida - have met the conditions set for them and are now functioning as stable operations.

In the area of fund-raising, it was reported that the state councils had raised approximately $40,000 during the first three quarters of 1960, compared with a total of $33,000 raised during all of 1959.

The attached schedule of grants was proposed by the staff, with the following provisions:

(1) Aid to state councils is being removed from the general operating budget and placed in a special project budget;

(2) The total amount of aid proposed for 1961 is $50,000;

(3) The success of the matching-funds formula suggests that it should be continued.

Following Mr. Rilling's report the following motion was made and unanimously adopted: That the allocation of grants-in-aid be approved, but said grants are not to exceed $50,000 or such sums as may be secured for this particular purpose; the specific allocations shall be those recommended by the staff with any changes submitted to the Executive Committee for approval.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

By motion, unanimously approved and adopted, the Executive Director and the Secretary-Treasurer were confirmed for the coming year.

Report of the Nominating Committee

The report of the Nominating Committee was made by Miss Dorcas Ruthenburg. The report was approved and adopted as follows:

President:	James M. Dabbs
Vice-Presidents:	Albert W. Dent Rufus E. Clement Marion A. Wright Miss Josephine Wilkins
Legal Counsel:	Joseph F. Haas
Nominating Committee:	Thomas W. Young Stephen J. Wright Raymond Wheeler
Executive Committee: (In addition to above listed officers)	W. Carroll Brooke Paul Christopher John A. Griffin Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton Duncan Hunter L. D. Milton Rabbi Jacob Rothschild Alexander O. Sigur John H. Wheeler
Members - Class of '64:	Fred D. Alexander Hubert Beckwith B. R. Brazeal W. C. Brooke Most Rev. Joseph B. Brunini I. H. Burney

Irving E. Carlyle
Hodding Carter
C. S. Cartwright
Paul Christopher
Rufus E. Clement
James A. Colston
Mrs. James S. Crate
Jerome Crossman
James M. Dabbs
Herbert M. Davidson
Albert W. Dent

New Members - Class of '64: Dr. Douglas Jackson, Dallas
Dr. Frank P. Graham, Chapel Hill
Mrs. Charles White, Houston

Class of '63: Wiley Branton, Pine Bluff

Class of '62: Henry Brandis, Chapel Hill

GENERAL SESSION

Mr. Dabbs expressed the gratitude of the full Council for the work of the staff during the past year.

A former member of longstanding and one active in the formation of the Council, Dr. Gordon Hancock, was introduced to the Members. Dr. Hancock expressed his appreciation for the way in which the organization had progressed. He traced the history of the Council, commenting on the contrast between the organization in past years and now. Dr. Hancock urged the Members to be prepared to change the emphasis from one of "desegregation" to "integration."

The meeting was turned over to Dr. John Griffin who led a discussion on the current situation in the South and its implications for SRC. Conditions in the states of Louisiana, Virginia, North Carolina and Arkansas were described by Members from those areas.

The body was in agreement that:

(1) All of the Council's experiences and resources will be needed to meet the imminent problems arising from the spread of desegregation to the deep South.

(2) The change of national Administrations may have profound effect on the progress of race relations in

the nation. The Council should be prepared to advise and assist in every way possible.

(3) The student protest movement was noted as an indication of the profound restlessness on the part of a portion of the South's people. The Council was urged to use all its resources to interpret this movement to the region and the nation.

An expression of appreciation was made to Dr. Clement and Atlanta University for the use of the facilities provided.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE TO THE ANNUAL MEETING

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Dr. Rufus Clement, Chairman
Presented by: Mr. Paul Christopher
November 10, 1960

Since the full Council was last assembled your Executive Committee has met three times to carry out the mandates of the 1959 Annual Meeting and to give policy direction to the staff.

We are pleased to report that, in our opinion, the year has been a productive one, and in several ways one of the most significant in the Council's 17 years of operation.

In terms of program, the staff -- which is the largest in the Council's history -- has been actively engaged in meeting the requests for services and the demands of events in this challenging time in the region. This will be evident to you in the Director's report of program activities. Financially, by past Council standards, at least, there has been a relative stability of operation. There remains the ever present problem of a substantial fund-raising effort each year but we are hopeful that the current level of support can be maintained and improved during the coming years.

Several outstanding Southerners nominated by this body last year have accepted membership in the Council. They are: Bishop John E. Hines, Houston, Tex.; Mrs. Vivian Carter Mason, Norfolk, Va.; Mr. Fred D. Alexander, Charlotte, N.C.; Mr. Stanton Smith, Nashville, Tenn.; Mr. J. Ray Shute, Monroe, N. C.; and Colonel Francis Pickens Miller, Charlottesville, Va.

We are pleased that several of these new members are with us today. We welcome them and the contributions they have to make to the deliberations of this body.

Regretfully, during the year the Council lost two of its members by virtue of the fact that both moved from the region; Mr. Stanton Smith one of our newly elected members, and a member of long standing, Dr. Merrimon Cuninggim of Dallas, Texas.

There have been no major staff changes during the year. However, we are pleased to report the part-time addition of Mr. J. J. Brewbaker, recently retired superintendent of schools of Norfolk, Virginia. He serves as a special consultant to the Southern Leadership Project, under

the direction of Colonel Benjamin Muse. Mr. Brewbaker has been actively consulting with school superintendents, school boards, and private groups concerned with the crisis which currently exists in public education.

During the year the Executive Committee, acting on recommendations from the Personnel Committee, has reviewed salaries, granted merit increases, and otherwise carried out its responsibilities with regard to personnel.

At the annual meeting last year this body instructed the Executive Committee to investigate the possibilities of a staff retirement program and to institute such a program if it seemed feasible. We are pleased to report that this has been done. After a careful investigation, a retirement program has been established based on a total cost of 4% of the salary of each individual. The program is contributory; the Council providing one-half the cost (or 2%) and the individual providing a like amount. It is based on endowment type policies providing a stated amount of monthly retirement benefits with continuation, conversion, or withdrawal options for the individual upon termination of his employment with the Council.

At the September meeting of the Executive Committee it was proposed that the Council develop a project to reach presidents of state and local bar associations in an effort to alert them to their responsibilities in controversial situations, and to point out to them the dangers involved when attorneys and bar associations abdicate such responsibilities. Accordingly, the Executive Committee unanimously adopted the following motion: "That a special committee be set up, composed of the attorneys who are members of the Southern Regional Council, to work on establishing communication with state and local bar association presidents in an effort to remind them of their professional responsibilities in unpopular causes."

The Council is operating this year on a budget of $236,625. Also, the Council secured special grants for additional aid to state councils on human relations in the amount of $37,500. Thus, our total expenditures for the year will be approximately $275,000.00.

The budget for 1961, as approved by the Executive Committee for your consideration today, represents a total proposed expenditure of $265,475. When this proposed budget is presented, you will note that there remains $87,775 yet to be raised. This is a sizeable fund-raising task, but it is the opinion of the Executive Committee and the staff that this amount can be raised.

This rate of expenditure of approximately $275,000 per year has been maintained for the past two years and appears to be the general level of expenditure at which the Council can operate most efficiently. With this in mind, we hope during 1961 to raise from new sources an amount of $100,000 per year for a period of five years. If this goal could be reached, the Council's continued operation at its current level would be virtually assured. There would remain a substantial fund-raising responsibility each year but, hopefully, it would not be of the burdensome nature of the past several years. This would not only add a desired measure of stability but would free a substantial amoung of professional staff time for program work.

This campaign for 1961 has already begun. A member of the Executive Committee, Miss Josephine Wilkins, has spent the past several months approaching foundations and attempting to interest new sources of support for the Council's program. Most regretfully, Miss Wilkins was the victim of a serious accident some weeks ago and is now confined to a New York hospital. It will, however, come as no surprise to those who know her that Miss Wilkins' personal efforts on behalf of the Council have continued from her hospital bed.

The Director has had an opportunity to visit several of the foundations which Miss Wilkins has interested. Also as an outcome of Miss Wilkins' efforts, the President and the Director were recently the guests of Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt at her home where Mrs. Roosevelt had invited a group of potential contributors to hear of the work of the Council.

Mr. E. T. Kehrer of the board has greatly assisted the staff in finding new sources of support from labor, and the Executive Director recently spent a week in California with potentially interested individuals and foundations. Both of these efforts should, in time, prove helpful.

In this regard also, the Members will be interested in knowing that in a letter of January 29, 1960, the Internal Revenue Service reaffirmed the Council's tax-exempt status.

The Executive Committee has exercised its responsibility in supervising the grants-in-aid program for the state councils on human relations. We are pleased to report that most of these state councils are showing increased vigor in both program and fund-raising. Later in the meeting, you will have before you, for approval, the grants-in-aid schedule for 1961, which has been reviewed and approved by the Executive Committee.

Another noteworthy event of the year has been the Council's move to more adequate quarters in downtown Atlanta. Many of you have seen the new office space and, while it is by no means elaborate, it does represent a move toward a more business-like and efficient operation. Many Members will recall the former quarters in the Wesley Memorial Building and the Council's restricted and awkward efforts to expand and find adequate space for its growing operation. It is a significant commentary on the progress in the region and the growing status of the organization that the Council was able to make this move, which would likely have been impossible a few years ago.

The Executive Committee has expressed to the Trustees of the Wesley Memorial Building the Council's deep gratitude for their assistance and understanding during the approximately 15 years in which the Council was a tenant in their building.

In conclusion, it is the opinion of your Executive Committee that the year 1960 has been a rewarding one. The programs and services of the Council have continued to grow to meet the ever-increasing demands placed upon them. There has been a continuing growth in the recognition of the Council as a constructive and responsible force in these changing times.

The Executive Committee, the staff, and -- we feel sure -- the Members of this body are aware that the responsibilities and challenges of the Council are such that we cannot entertain the least measure of complacency about our skills, our achievements, or our progress. It is in this spirit that we approach 1961 and the Council's 18th year of operation.

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PLEASE CONVEY MY GREETINGS TO THE PARTICIPANTS IN THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL. IN WORKING TO MAKE EQUAL OPPORTUNITY A REALITY IN ALL PARTS OF OUR NATIONAL LIFE, THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL IS ADVANCING THE CAUSE OF ALL AMERICANS. IN PROMOTING GOODWILL AND BETTER UNDERSTANDING AMONG PEOPLE OF ALL RACES, COLORS AND CREEDS, THE COUNCIL IS SERVING NOT ONLY THE SOUTH BUT THE WHOLE COUNTRY. IN SUPPORTING EFFORTS TO SECURE THE FULL CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS OF ALL OUR PEOPLE, INCLUDING ABOVE ALL THE PRIMARY RIGHT TO VOTE, YOU ARE HELPING TO FULFILL THE PROMISE OF AMERICA.

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JOHN F KENNEDY

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE TO THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL IN ANNUAL MEETING, NOVEMBER 8-9, 1961

Presented by John H. Wheeler, Chairman

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Since the full Council was last assembled your Executive Committee has met five times to carry out the mandates of the 1960 Annual Meeting and to give policy direction to the staff.

This unusual number of meetings indicates, to some degree, the large number of program and administrative decisions which the Council has faced during the past year. These decisions will be reviewed for you here and in the Director's report on program activities.

Several outstanding Southerners nominated by this body last year have accepted membership in the Council. They are: Dr. Douglas Jackson, Dallas, Texas; Dr. Frank P. Graham, Chapel Hill, North Carolina; Mrs. Charles White, Houston, Texas; and Mr. Wiley Branton, Pine Bluff, Arkansas.

We are pleased that several of these new members are with us today. We welcome them and the contributions they have to make to the deliberations of this body.

There have been a number of major staff changes during the year. On March 10, 1960, Mr. Harold C. Fleming informed the President of the Council of his wish to resign as Executive Director, in order that he might accept the position of Executive Vice-President of the Potomac Institute in Washington, D. C. The Executive Committee met on March 18, to consider this resignation. At that meeting, the Committee unanimously adopted the following statement and motion:

> The Executive Committee of the Southern Regional Council accepts with regret the resignation of Harold Fleming, the Executive Director of the Council for the past four years.

The Committee, however, cannot let Harold Fleming go without attempting to express its appreciation of the varied services he has rendered the Council, and through the Council, the South, as Director of Information, Assistant Director and Director through the past fourteen years.

While directing the Council in ever-widening fields of action, he has at the same time deepened its understanding of and work for the South.

He has done this not only through his personal leadership, but also through the recruitment, organization, and direction of a highly capable staff.

As a person he has exhibited a remarkable combination of objective detachment and deep commitment. Going now to a related work in the national Capital, he will be the living exponent of what the South has sought for a hundred years, and the Southern American, combining within himself both Southern richness and American directness.

The Council lets him go with regret but watches with pride his entrance upon the national scene.

It is significant that he goes to his new position during the centennial year of the Civil War, the new Southern American, who himself will help to bridge that old, unhappy gulf.

While accepting this resignation with deep regret, the Committee was reassured by the fact that the Council had within its

own staff the talent and leadership from which to choose a successor. Accordingly, after serious deliberation, the Committee unanimously voted that Leslie W. Dunbar, the Council's director of research, be named to the position of Executive Director. It is the Committee's feeling that Mr. Dunbar's experience and acheivements before coming to the Council and his services to the Council as director of research, makes him eminently qualified for this position. We look forward to a continuing growth and effectiveness under his direction.

The position of Director of Research has been temporarily filled by Dr. James A. Moss, professor of Sociology at Union College. Dr. Moss has taken a year's leave of absence from his permanent duties in order to serve in this capacity. We learned with regret of the resignation of Mr. John Constable as director of information. Mr. Constable is now with the United States Information Agency in Washington, D. C. To fill this position we were fortunate in securing Mrs. Margaret Long Leonard, author, novelist and former columnist on the Atlanta Journal. (Miss Marge Manderson, formerly research assistant has been appointed Administrative Secretary to the director of field work and her former position has been filled by Mrs. Margaret Boozer, most recently a teacher in the public school system of KeKalb County, (Georgia).

We are pleased to announce these appointments and feel that the qualifications and dedication of these individuals reflects, in itself, the Council's stature and ability.

There has also been a major change within the Executive Committee. At the first meeting of the year, Dr. Rufus Clement expressed the wish that he not be re-elected to a further term as chairman. The Committee

regretfully respected Dr. Clement's wish and your present chairman was elected. At a later meeting, as an expression of his long and valuable service, Dr. Clement was presented an inscribed desk pen. In making the presentation, Mr. Dabbs pointed out that Dr. Clement served as chairman of the first meeting of the Incorporators of the Council and had served on the SRC Executive Committee since it was formed in 1944. In his response, Dr. Clement warmly thanked the Committee and pledged his continuing support.

We regret that Dr. Clement cannot be with us due to the fact that the Atlanta University Board is meeting today in New York City. In this regard, a number of persons, particularly those connected with colleges and universities, are finding the date of the annual meeting to be a difficult one. Early in the new year the Executive Committee hopes to consider this problem and to recommend a different date for the meeting of 1962. We would be pleased to have your suggestions on this matter.

The Executive Committee, and a sub-committee established for that purpose, have given considerable deliberation to a proposal whereby the Council would undertake a major research project in the area of voter registration. The matter is still under consideration and the Executive Director will give you more detail on it in his report.

As a continuing responsibility, your Executive Committee remains conscious of the Council's program in regard to the vital area of tax exemption. In February of this year the Committee adopted the following resolution on SRC's Charter and Tax-Exemption:

RESOLUTION ON SRC's CHARTER AND TAX-EXEMPTION

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WHEREAS, pursuant to advice dated January 29, 1960 from the Chief of the Exempt Organizations Branch of the Internal Revenue Service, this corporation was advised "You will be expected in the future to conform your operations strictly with the 'operational tests' set forth in the regulations;" and

WHEREAS, pursuant to said "operational tests" an organization is not regarded as exempt if it is an "action" organization, which means that a substantial part of its activities is attempting to influence legislation, by propaganda or otherwise, either by contacting or urging the public to contact members of a legislative body for the purpose of proposing, supporting or opposing legislation, or advocating the adoption or rejection of legislation.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is stated to be the policy of this body that no officer, agent or employee of Southern Regional Council shall, in the course of its operations, either contact or urge the public to contact members of any legislative body for the purpose of proposing, supporting or opposing legislation, nor shall any such member advocate the adoption or rejection of any legislation;

RESOLVED: That counsel for the Southern Regional Council be directed, periodically, to scrutinize and evaluate the activities of members of the Staff so as to insure that such activities are consistent with the principles stated in this resolution and in the regulations defining the "operational tests" of the Internal Revenue Service;

RESOLVED FURTHER: That this resolution be read or referred to at every meeting of the Executive Committee, and shall be read at every annual meeting of Southern Regional Council.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That no member of the staff or of the Southern Regional Council has the authority to speak for the Southern Regional Council in matters which are inhibited by the Internal Revenue Code.

February 1961

Last year this body adopted a budget of approximately $270,000. Generally, this rate of expenditure has been maintained. In January, the Executive Committee removed the research department from the special projects category and made this work a part of the general operations budget of the Council. It was the Committee's feeling that research activities have become a basic part of the Council's program.

Later in the year the Committee voted a 5 per cent raise in staff salaries and inaugurated a plan whereby the Council would pay the full costs for all basic staff benefits. This was done to bring professional staff salaries more in line with the national scale and to make clerical salaries more competitive with the Atlanta scale. These actions will increase the general operations budget by about $7,000 in 1962 and thereafter.

The Council's general financial condition remains relatively sound. We are pleased to report to you that this year SRC received a $50,000 grant from the Rockefeller Foundation; a major breakthrough for the Southern Regional Council and for the field of human relations. Largely because of this, the Council will end the year without deficit.

However, fund-raising remains the perennial problem. The proposed budget which will be submitted to you today, if approved, will call for approximately 115,000 in funds beyond those now committed. Of that amount to be raised we are hoepful that some $75,000 will come from sources which have contributed in the past. Even if this hope proves justified, approximately 40,000 will have to be raised from new sources. In short, the matter of maintaining support from contributors and that of cultivating new sources continues to be a major concern and activity

of the Committee and the Executive Director.

The Council has been able to create a modest reserve fund and during 1961 the Committee placed this fund - of $60,000 - in a separate account under the management of the Trust Company of Georgia. We are hopeful that this fund can be modestly increased each year. We feel that the Council's financial situation is always of such an indefinite nature that it is wise to maintain and increase this small measure of security.

In conclusion, it is the opinion of your Executive Committee that the year has been a good and productive one. We feel that over increasing activities of the Council and the growing demands being made upon it are an encouraging indication of the organizations effectiveness and a measure of the confidence which others have in us.

There is nothing in our accomplishments which gives cause for complacency, too much remains undone, and the challenge before us is too great. However, as we approach 1962 - the Council's 19th year of operation - we can do so with the assurance that the Southern Regional Council is a constructive and responsible force in these changing times.

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Tax Exempt,
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HERBERT H. LEHMAN
820 PARK AVENUE
NEW YORK 21, N. Y.

Miss Wilkins

October 5, 1960.

Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt
55 East 74th Street
New York 21, New York.

Dear Eleanor:

I have your letter of September 30th.

Edith and I greatly enjoyed the evening we spent with you and your other guests last week.

I have long admired the very useful work that has been done over the years by the Southern Regional Council. Edith and I are accordingly very glad to send you a check for $1,000. as a contribution to that organization.

With kindest personal regards, in which Edith joins me, I remain

Yours very sincerely,

Herbert

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November 15, 1960

The Honorable Paul A. Douglas
Senate Office Building
Washington, D. C.

My dear Senator Douglas:

I hope you will find the attached annual report of the Council's activities of interest. In addition to summarizing the work of the past year, we have tried to assess the Council's role in the South today, after 17 years of operation.

Let me take this opportunity to express my deep satisfaction in your impressive victory at the polls. It is heartening to see real leadership and conviction so overwhelmingly endorsed.

Cordially,

Harold C. Fleming
Executive Director

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Enclosure - 1.

WILLIAM C. WHITNEY FOUNDATION
20 BROAD STREET
NEW YORK 5, N.Y.

November 16, 1960

Mr. Harold C. Fleming,
Executive Director
Southern Regional Council,
Inc.
Room 201, 5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Fleming:

Thank you so much for the Annual Report to November 1960. It is important for us to have this on file and I shall be glad to read it at the first opportunity.

Sincerely yours,

Milton C. Rose

Milton C. Rose
Secretary

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HERBERT H. LEHMAN
820 PARK AVENUE
NEW YORK 21, N. Y.

November 18, 1960

Mr. Harold C. Fleming
Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Room 201, 5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

My dear Mr. Fleming:

I have been out of town for some days and I have just received your letter of November 15th.

Thank you very much indeed for sending me a copy of the annual report of the activities of the Southern Regional Council, Inc. I shall study it carefully at the first opportunity.

With best wishes, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Herbert H. Lehman

MRS. FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT
55 EAST 74TH STREET
NEW YORK CITY 21, N. Y.

November 18, 1960

Dear Mr. Fleming:

Thank you so very much for the annual report of the Council's activities. I appreciate your sending it to me and I know I will find it informative.

With every good wish,

Very sincerely yours,

Eleanor Roosevelt

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THE FIELD FOUNDATION, INC.
250 PARK AVENUE
NEW YORK 17

November 16, 1960

Mr. Harold C. Fleming, Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Room 201
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Harold:

I know that I shall find your annual report of interest. Many thanks for sending it.

I look forward to seeing you this weekend.

Sincerely,

Max

Maxwell Hahn
Executive Vice President

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November 22, 1960

Mr. Harold C. Fleming, Executive Director
Southern Regional Council
Room 201, 5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Fleming:

Thanks very much for sending me a copy of the Annual Report of the Southern Regional Council. I am very glad that you feel optimistic about 1961, and I shall be much interested in reading the report.

Sincerely yours,

Harold Evans

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Harold Evans

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November 23, 1960

Mr. Harold C. Fleming, Exec. Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Room 201, 5 Forsyth St., N. W.
Atlanta 3, Ga.

Dear Harold:

Thanks for yours of the 15th to which you attached your annual report. I found the report both enlightening and encouraging. It makes me proud of the support which I have given to the Council during the past ten to fifteen years.

Sincerely,

Bell

W. H. Frey

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FREDERICK W. RICHMOND
743 FIFTH AVENUE
NEW YORK

November 29, 1960

Mr. Harold C. Fleming, Exec. Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Fleming:

Congratulations on the excellent annual report of the Southern Regional Council, which I have read with the greatest of interest.

It was certainly thoughtful of you to send me a copy of the report and I want to take this opportunity to wish you continued success in this fine work.

Best regards.

Yours sincerely,

Fred Richmond

Frederick W. Richmond

FWR:fm

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

OF THE

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

A Review of Program Activities for the
Annual Meeting of the Council

November 1960

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ANNUAL REPORT OF PROGRAM ACTIVITIES

November 1960

This is the seventeenth anniversary of the Southern Regional Council. If we consider the work of its predecessor, the Commission on Interracial Cooperation, the Council can claim forty-one years of effort in Southern race relations.

When an organization reaches this kind of venerability, a certain amount of self-examination is in order. Is it maturing, or simply ageing? Are its aims still valid? Have its methods kept pace with the drastically changing times? Is its work more, or less, relevant to the big questions of history which our society and our civilization must answer?

While a reasonably brief program report cannot do justice to these fundamental questions, this is a propitious time at least to raise them. Racial discrimination has become a world-wide preoccupation. The pressures against color prejudice and injustice everywhere are mounting by tidal-wave proportions. Almost no aspect of American life -- and no aspeet at all of Southern life -- is untouched by this issue. The majority of the earth's population that is dark-skinned is gaining decisive power in world councils. And the forces of protest in our own midst are growing commensurately.

To be relevant in a situation like this is a tall order. Race relations are no longer the peculiar concern of moralists and avant-garde reformers. Increasingly, these problems claim the serious attention of powerful and influential leaders -- presidents and potentates, law-makers and law-givers, leaders of business and labor. Scarcely anyone in a position of importance or influence can ignore for long the problems of interracial change, however unenlightened some of their reactions may be.

The implications for an organization like ours are profound. It is no longer, if it ever was, enough simply to be on the right side of this great moral question. Such commitment is basic, but it is only the first step toward being useful. The big further need is to command enough skill and detailed, practical knowledge -- governmental, economic, and cultural -- to assist the translation of principle into practice.

We must be equipped not only to talk among ourselves, but to communicate meaningfully with people whose involvement is pragmatic rather than moralistic. We must understand the claims of self-interest on the man who is more concerned with expediency than with justice. It is our job to help reconcile the two: to help develop public policies that are both just and expedient, both right and practical.

In this sense, our approach must become more "professional," which is another way of saying "specialized." Only so, after

advocating what we believe is the right objective, can we take the all-important next step of proposing ways to reach the objective. For example, it is seldom enough to say to a fearful and uncertain school administrator and to those who influence his decisions that segregation is morally wrong. At some point, they must be persuaded that desegregation works, that the common fears about it are largely illusory, that there is a sound and growing body of experience on which to rely in carrying it out. This is not just a matter of having the facts and presenting them; knowledge of how to present the facts, and to whom, is equally important.

There are other imperatives. An organization like ours that seeks to influence opinion and policy must be prepared to move swiftly. Critical situations arise overnight and, within hours or days or weeks at most, official attitudes and private opinions have hardened into new and inflexible molds. (The sit-in protests are a case in point.) To be most effective, information and interpretation must be fed into the stream of opinion quickly, while minds are still open and attitudes malleable.

There is also the matter of sheer volume. With race relations in the forefront of public consciousness, it is only expectable that the demands on the Council for information, advice, and other services should multiply. The

problem is to respond to these many demands without unduly crippling the organization's capacity to originate and carry out its own program ideas, based on coherent standards of policy, priorities, and overall strategy.

Viewed in the perspective of its seventeen years, most particularly the last five or six, what progress has the Council made in these directions?

1. The research, fact-finding, and reference functions of the Council have been greatly enlarged and improved. The Director of Research and his staff assistants maintain a voluminous library of reference materials and up-to-date newspaper clippings on virtually every aspect of Southern race relations. These files and special studies commissioned by the Council are the basis for a steady stream of reports and releases that are widely publicized and distributed. Scores of information requests from government agencies, private organizations, community groups, scholars, and newsmen are handled in the course of a year.

2. The Council functions on an ever larger scale as a center of information and analysis for all of the mass communications media. The Council's outreach through the press, popular magazines, television, radio, books, speakers, and specialized publications reaches a national as well as a Southern audience.

3. A special Southern Leadership Project, inaugurated a year-and-a-half ago, reaches public officials, business

men, school authorities, and other influential leaders throughout the region. The project director and an experienced school administrator, supplemented by other specialists as needed, carry on this quiet work with decision-makers in Southern states and communities.

4. The skills represented on the Council's staff are augmented by the temporary services of some of the ablest scholars, community relations specialists, and civic leaders in the South. A business leader of Norfolk, two educationists at Emory University, social scientists at half-a-dozen Southern universities, an associate professor of law at the University of North Carolina, a leader of the Virginia Committee for Public Education, a newspaper man of Nashville, a nationally known writer of South Carolina -- these are some of the specialists who have performed consultant assignments from the Council during the past year. The further use of such consultants offers us the best hope of continuing to enlarge our talents and services without prohibitive expansion of full-time staff.

5. The Council's materials and services are in greater demand than ever before. Court-ordered school desegregation, sit-in protests, and other pressures are bringing the issue to a head in more and more states and communities, including larger cities of the Deep South. As realistic leaders in those places wake up to the high price of resistance, they find themselves for the first time in need of

the kind of background and guidance the Council can supply. Usually working discreetly with local groups and individuals, we now reach a more influential segment of Southern leadership than in the past.

6. The quality of the Council's lay leadership has never been higher. The willingness of outstanding Southerners to continue or newly accept membership on the Council is one of the organization's great assets.

7. Most of the state councils on human relations have weathered the period of greatest hostility to their operations. The Council's major investment of funds and program services in these state groups is showing increasing promise of valuable returns over many years.

8. The move to larger, more modern quarters in a centrally located office building has increased the efficiency of the staff operation. Moreover, it is in itself some measure of progress that the Council can now rent desirable, commercial office space in downtown Atlanta.

9. The Council's budget is both larger and based on more diversified sources of support than in the past. Twice in its history the organization has almost expired because of termination of support from a single source on which it was over-dependent. While fund-raising is still a perennial problem, the danger of a sudden collapse is minimized by a broader financial base.

Of course, the Council is far from having achieved perfection. In practically all of the areas just touched

on, there is ample room for further improvement. But we may be justified in feeling that both the direction and rate of the Council's development are healthy.

HIGHLIGHTS OF 1960 PROGRAM ACTIVITIES

The Sit-ins

It is generally agreed by now that the student protest movement has had a profound effect on the course of race relations in our time. In psychological terms, its impact has probably equalled that of the Supreme Court's decision of 1954 in the legal sphere. The concrete results to date are remarkable -- desegregation of eating facilities in some eighty cities in the South, as well as a substantial number in border states. One does not have to sentimentalize the protest movement, or uncritically applaud all of its manifestations, in order to see it as a new and powerful creative force in the transition to an integrated society.

These conclusions would be widely subscribed to today. But in February 1960, when the first few student protests were still restricted to North Carolina, their meaning was by no means so clear. Yet there seemed to the Council staff urgent reason to attempt a major evaluation of the protests, and quickly, while public reactions were still uncrystallized. Within a matter of days, the research staff compiled and published a comprehensive Special Report summarizing current developments, citing border-state precedents

for lunch counter desegregation, and interpreting the deeper meanings of the protest -- in terms that have been fully justified by subsequent events. The report had wide coverage in the press (including front-page play in the New York Times) and quickly became a standard informational and program document for the several parties to the lunch-counter controversy.

This and subsequent Council reports on the subject have been distributed to a specially compiled list, including Southern mayors, variety chain store executives and directors, business publications, members of local negotiating committees, human relations councils, and others. The Florida Governor's Commission on Race Relations, which has promoted bi-racial negotiations in that state, used several hundred copies of the Council report as a basic background document for local leadership.

As the lunch-counter situation and related protests have unfolded, the Council has issued frequent progress reports; especially useful have been the case studies of communities which accomplished desegregation, in response to "selective buying" campaigns, through newly created interracial committees, mediation by public officials, or direct negotiation between student leaders and merchants. Through articles in national publications and many speeches in influential forums, staff members abetted by the officers have added to the Council's public interpretation of these developments. We may take justifiable satisfaction in the

speed, accuracy, and overall effects of the Council's informational and opinion-making role in the rapid sequence of events generated by the sit-ins.

Our efforts, however, have not been limited to this role. On local invitation, we have supplied consultants to official and private leadership in Raleigh, N. C., Nashville, Tenn., and Oklahoma City, Okla. In each of these three cities, the consultants' work contributed to mediating efforts in the lunch-counter dispute which ultimately resulted in desegregation. Members of the Council's staff and board have also played a constructive part in bringing about negotiations, still in progress, in Atlanta.

Under the banner of the Southern Leadership Project, Colonel Benjamin Muse counselled with public officials and other community leaders in a number of Southern cities which have subsequently achieved desegregation of eating facilities. He and the research staff have supplied steady advice and information to the Florida Commission.

As this is written, there is no prospect of an early demise of the protest movement launched by the students. On the contrary, its objectives have been broadened to include many public and private facilities, the adult Negro community has become involved in many areas, and efforts are being made to coordinate the activity on a region-wide basis. The Council clearly must plan for a continuing role in the further crises and changes which these developments portend.

School Desegregation

Public school desegregation, mostly of a token variety, made modest gains in the states of the upper and middle South during the past year. But by far the most significant development was the joining of the issue in the Deep South. At the beginning of the summer, New Orleans was ordered by the Federal court to begin desegregation of the first grade with the fall term, later extended to November 14. The date of desegregation in Atlanta was finally -- and apparently irrevocably -- set for September 1961.

In both cities, the Council has worked closely with local citizens advocating compliance with the court orders and opposing the forces that would close public schools rather than desegregate them. The Field Director spent the greater part of August in New Orleans, in response to requests by local citizens' groups that the Council advise them on strategy and community educational efforts.

We were also able to make a notable contribution through a consultative visit to New Orleans and Baton Rouge by John J. Brewbaker, former superintendent of Norfolk schools, now serving our Southern Leadership Project as education consultant. Mr. Brewbaker conferred at length with the local school authorities and made several public appearances which were extensively and favorably treated by the press. The New Orleans situation closely resembles the plight of Norfolk before the state permitted school desegregation under Mr. Brewbaker's direction. Hence, his consultative visit was

especially well-timed and effective.

Under Col. Muse's direction, Mr. Brewbaker planned and carried out an impressive series of consultations in other cities where the school desegregation issue is under consideration. In each case, he went at the eager invitation of the local school superintendent; in some, he met with other community leaders as well, addressed public meetings, and was interviewed by the newspapers and on television. Since assuming his part-time position with the Council on July 1, 1960, he has visited in this way some two dozen cities in eight Southern states; he has counselled with school superintendents of additional communities at conferences of such professional groups as the Associated Public School Systems.

We have long felt the need to make available to school authorities the detailed knowledge and advice of an administrator who has lived with the problems they are newly confronting. Mr. Brewbaker is well equipped to perform this function. An able school man, widely and favorably known in Southern educational circles, he is experienced in both the calamitous effects of school closing and the successful execution of desegregation.

Col. Muse brings to the position of project director outstanding qualities as counsellor to governmental, business, and other state and community leaders. His insight into the dynamics of the rise and fall of "massive resistance"

in Virginia and his command of the spoken and written word are assets which the Council is fortunate to have.

As part of the Southern Leadership Project, a series of brief, factual reports on educational, economic, and other aspects of race relations has been issued. These "L-Reports" are aimed at busy persons for whom racial problems raise administrative, public relations, or dollar-and-cents questions. They are sent regularly to a sizeable list of school superintendents, chamber of commerce executives, city officials, and the like. It is some measure of this material's usefulness that the adverse reactions have been negligible, whereas the favorable comments and requests for additional copies have been substantial.

The research staff has also produced several major publications as aids to school desegregation. One of these, which appeared as a special issue of New South, was School Desegregation: The First Six Years, a comprehensive summary of the school experience to date. Another was the annual Background Report on School Desegregation, released a few weeks before the beginning of the current school term in September. Both publications have been widely used by the information media and by those charged with responsibility for effecting desegregation.

The State Councils on Human Relations

It has now been six years since the Council undertook large-scale program and financial assistance to the state

councils. The goal, of course, was to make possible autonomous and effective interracial organizations in all of the Southern states. Three years ago, they became independent, cooperating agencies. Ten of the original twelve state groups have survived, eight of them with at least one full-time professional staff member. Most importantly, they have shown generally a marked rise in effectiveness and in local financial support during the past year. The Council's aid to them has been conditioned on certain matching requirements, which were met or exceeded in every case.

Space prohibits more than a generalization or two about the program achievements of the state councils during the year. As one measure of vitality, it is noteworthy that the state groups and their local affiliates have played a significant part in stimulating and aiding settlement of the lunch-counter protests through desegregation. An official commission on human relations newly created by the State of Kentucky is, in important respects, an outgrowth of the work carried on over the years by the Kentucky Council on Human Relations. In several of the states, the councils have not only attracted a substantial number of new members, but have also organized strong new local chapters.

In one of the most difficult states, Alabama, the state council director resisted with courage and success punitive efforts by local authorities to bare confidential records of his organization. The Rev. Robert E. Hughes went

to jail for contempt rather than yield to this unwarranted demand; and, with the aid of legal counsel, he regained his freedom and vindicated the principle at stake. The Rev. Mr. Hughes and the Alabama Council have set a courageous and encouraging precedent for other interracial groups that may face legal harassment.

Work with Other Private Agencies

Religious, youth, civic, and human relations agencies working in the region have long relied on the Council for a variety of services. The increasing demands of this kind in the past year have afforded us important opportunities to help strengthen the forces of progress in the South. Through staff members and consultants, we have met a wide range of requests for speakers, resource persons, program advisers, information, special materials, and in a few cases financial assistance to unusually worthy projects.

Among the groups assisted in one or more of these ways were the Southern leaders of a major denomination, several state councils of churches, organizations committed to preserving public education, student associations, foundations, P-TAs, major professional societies, and a host of other interracial and inter-faith efforts.

In a category of its own is the program carried on by the Council's Director of Women's Work, Mrs. M. E. Tilly, with church women and their organizations throughout the South. For a multitude of people Mrs. Tilly's devoted work has

become a living legend. Her regional and state convocations of women leaders who call themselves "The Fellowship of the Concerned" are rallying points for some of the finest leadership the South can offer. The Council is fortunate to have the untiring services of this gallant and rare personality.

The Council has on several occasions in 1960 provided leadership for regional and state gatherings of labor union representatives. Organized labor, no less than the church, faces an enormous challenge in furthering respect for human rights among its rank-and-file members. It is gratifying to note that union requests for the Council's materials and services have shown a perceptible increase during the past twelve months.

As it has for several years now, the Council continued to serve as convener and secretariat of the Southern Inter-agency Conference, an informal association of human relations staff persons working in the region.

Cooperation with Governmental Agencies

As we have pointed out before, the Council believes the work of official and private agencies should be complementary rather than competitive. Accordingly, we have cooperated wholeheartedly with those agencies of government, mainly Federal, which are charged with civil rights functions. The Commission on Civil Rights and the Civil Rights Division

of the Department of Justice have had particularly frequent occasion to solicit advice and information from the Council. The Council's staff, in turn, has called to their attention instances of discrimination in voting, administration of justice, etc., in which there appeared to be grounds for Federal action. Similar cooperation has also been extended to the Southern state advisory committees of the Commission on Civil Rights.

We see this function as one deserving special emphasis in the year ahead. The new administration will presumably be considering afresh the powers and obligations of the Executive Branch in the civil rights field. This, then, is a time for the Council (as well as other concerned groups) to prepare the best possible background information and recommendations for administrative action. To this end, we have in process a comprehensive memorandum setting forth the Council's views on this subject.

Shortly after the turn of the year, this report as completed will be transmitted to appropriate persons within the new administration, as well as to key individuals in private life.

Whatever the effect of these recommendations, the Council may anticipate many opportunities to cooperate with government officials and agencies during 1961, and few program matters merit as high a priority.

Other Activities in Brief

A Council field study of the voting situation in McCormick County, S. C., led to a Justice Department investigation, followed shortly by registration of the first Negro voters there in years. Further voting studies have been commissioned in South Carolina and Louisiana.

Twe well known Southern journalists -- Prof. Walter Spearman of the University of N. C. School of Journalism and Sylvan Meyer, editor of the Gainesville (Ga.) Daily Times -- evaluated for the Council newspaper handling of racial stories. The results were published and given appropriate distribution under the title "Racial Crisis and the Press."

At the request of several large professional associations, the Council surveyed facilities for biracial conventions in the South. The findings were published in New South.

Other commissioned studies nearing completion and publication include: (1) An assessment of police handling of disorders in Little Rock and other Southern cities, by author George McMillan. (2) An analysis of Federal Court rulings on school desegregation, by Professor Robert Steamer of LSU. (3) A study of race and crime by Dr. Elmer Johnson, sociologist and former penal official of North Carolina. (4) An appraisal of the operation of private schools in Prince Edward County, Va., by education specialist Dr. Mary Ellen Goodman. (5) A comparative study of biracial education in Georgia, done by the Council for the Georgia Conference on

Educational Opportunities.

The Council provided major assistance to the preparation of magazine articles appearing in Look, Life, Esquire, The Reporter, The Nation, New Republic, The New York Times Magazine, Harvard Business Review, Business Week, Time, Newsweek, and The Reader's Digest; it also assisted the NBC and CBS television networks in the preparation of documentaries on the South.

Council President Dabbs and Vice-President Wright each appeared on national television programs, in addition to many speaking engagements during the year. Articles by the Executive Director appeared in The Reporter and The New York Times Magazine.

IN CONCLUSION, the past year has been a busy and, we think, a fruitful one. The staff is grateful to the members, friends, and supporters of the Council for helping make possible a period of new growth and productivity.

As we consider the nature of the work in the coming year, it is timely to recall once again the objectives adopted by the Council at its Williamsburg meeting of November 1956:

> Our task, as we see it, includes but goes far beyond the stimulation of local action to deal with matters of desegregation and democratic racial relations at the community level. We must play a greater role in establishing a broad national and Southern climate of opinion in which positive local efforts can succeed. We must assume more of the leadership in educating and rallying those national forces whose action or inaction at this time is critical.

The goal for 1961 could hardly be better stated.

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

November 11, 1959
Atlanta, Georgia

GENERAL SESSION - 9:30 AM

The Sixteenth Annual Meeting of the Southern Regional Council convened at 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, November 11, 1959 in the Atlanta University Dining Hall, Atlanta, Georgia.

Invocation by Dr. Harry V. Richardson.

Attached is a list of the Council members present. All members of the professional staff were present, with Mrs. Mildred Flowers serving as secretary.

Introductions and remarks were made by the President, Mr. James M. Dabbs.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

In the absence of the Chairman of the Committee, the attached report of the Executive Committee was given by Mr. Marion A. Wright. The report was unanimously approved and adopted.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

The Executive Director pointed out that SRC has been strengthened by the addition of several capable persons to its professional staff: Dr. Leslie W. Dunbar as Director of Research, Mr. Paul Rilling as Director of Field Activities, and Mr. Benjamin Muse as Director of the Southern Leadership Project. For a number of years there has been a necessary and desirable tendency toward gradual staff expansion. However, the staff is aware of the implications of this trend, especially in terms of budget, and is anxious to keep expansion under control.

The Director reported that in terms of fund-raising, the year has been a particularly successful one. However, there remains the inherent problem of each year having to face a sizeable fund-raising task. Hope was expressed that at some time in the future the Council could face this problem and find at least a partial solution.

The Director indicated his pleasure at the high quality of persons who serve as members of the Council and commended

their willingness to work with the staff. Especially noted were the numerous efforts and speeches made on behalf of the Council by Mr. Dabbs and Mr. Wright.

There followed discussion of the Reports of the Executive Committee and the Executive Director.

The question was raised as to whether or not the staff now participated in a Council-sponsored retirement program. On learning that no such program existed, the following motion was offered:

That the Executive Committee give consideration to a staff retirement program and institute such a program if possible.

The motion was unanimously approved and adopted.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Mrs. Alexander presented a report of income and expenses for 1959 to date. Mr. Anthony presented the proposed budget for 1960. (See attached)

Discussion followed, after which the following motion was made:

That the proposed budget for 1960 be approved on the condition that, from time to time, the Executive Committee review the budget and make such revisions as may be necessary in order to keep the operation in line with available funds.

The motion was unanimously approved and adopted.

REPORT ON STATE COUNCILS AND PROPOSED AID FOR 1960

Mr. Rilling briefly outlined the work being carried on by each State Council on Human Relations and submitted the attached schedule showing proposed grants-in-aid for 1960, as recommended by the Executive Committee.

A question was raised as to why no grant was recommended for the Texas Council. It was explained that the Texas Council, which is without staff, had not made a request for aid in 1960. The 1959 Texas grant of $600 was given to the Houston Council on Human Relations with the approval of the Texas Council. Following discussion by Texas members of SRC, it was agreed that the Executive Committee and staff would give every possible consideration to any future request for program and financial help from the Texas Council.

The grants-in-aid schedule included the establishment of a discretionary fund of $1,200 which would be used to meet emergencies that may arise. Also included was the suggestion that allocations for Florida and Tennessee be approved on a conditional basis: the first quarterly payment to Florida should not be released unless that council showed a substantial improvement in its financial condition; third and fourth quarter allocations for Tennessee should be released only if that council has raised a substantial portion of its budget by the end of the second quarter.

The grants-in-aid as reported in the attached schedule, subject to the conditions listed above, were unanimously approved and adopted.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

The report of the Finance Committee was presented by Mr. Milton. It was unanimously approved and adopted. (See attached.)

EXECUTIVE SESSION - Staff on Call

By motion, duly seconded and passed, the Executive Director and the Secretary-Treasurer were confirmed for the coming year.

GENERAL SESSION

REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The report of the Nominating Committee was made by Mr. Thomas W. Young, Chairman. The report was approved and adopted as follows:

President	James M. Dabbs
Vice-Presidents	Marion A. Wright Albert W. Dent Miss Josephine Wilkins Rufus E. Clement
Legal Counsel	Joseph Haas

Executive Committee (In addition to officers listed above)	Paul Christopher John A. Griffin Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton The Rev. Duncan Hunter Father Alexander O. Sigur John H. Wheeler L. D. Milton Rabbi Jacob Rothschild The Rev. W. Carroll Brooke

The following members whose terms expire in 1959 were re-elected:

Most Rev. Joseph B. Brunini, Herbert M. Davidson, Luther H. Foster, Harry L. Golden, C. G. Gomillion, M. LaFayette Harris, E. A. McDowell, Mrs. J. N. Rayzor, J. M. Richards, H. V. Richardson, Miss Florence Sytz, Mrs. J. F. Tillman, and Paul D. Williams.

The following new members and alternates were nominated:

Bishop John E. Hines, Houston, Texas; Mrs. Vivian Carter Mason, Norfolk, Virginia; Fred D. Alexander, Charlotte, North Carolina; Mr. J. Ray Shute, Monroe, North Carolina; Francis Pickens Miller, Charlottesville, Virginia; Brooks Hays, Nashville, Tennessee; and Stanton Smith, Knoxville, Tennessee.

Alternates: Omer Carmichael, Louisville, Kentucky; Stewart Carter, Fincastle, Virginia; Robert E. Leflar, Fayetteville, Arkansas; Henry Brandis, Chapel Hill, North Carolina; Mrs. Morris Young, Anderson, South Carolina; Mrs. Abbie Clement Jackson, Louisville, Kentucky; and Barney Weeks, Birmingham, Alabama.

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE BY-LAWS

The following amendments to the By-Laws were unanimously approved and adopted:

Article II, Section 1. Members.

Delete A1 and A2. Substitute: "A. The members of the corporation shall be not more than 80 or less than 64 persons, hereafter called members." Delete all succeeding references to ex-officio members in these By-Laws.

B. Amend to read as follows: "A member shall hold office for four years or until he shall have resigned, died, or been removed in the manner provided by Section 8 of this article. A member may be eligible to succeed himself; however, there shall be at least five new members elected each year."

Article IV. Affiliates.

Delete entire article.

Article V, Section 4. Nominating Committee.

Add at the end of Section 4 the following sentence: "As provided in Article II, Section 1B, the Nominating Committee shall include the names of at least five new persons in its slate of nominees."

DRAWING TO DETERMINE CLASSES

In order to facilitate the amendment proposed for Article II, Section 1B, it was recommended that all members, present and absent, be divided by lot into four equal classes, to expire successively in 1960, 1961, 1962, and 1963.

The procedure as approved and adopted by the full Council is that the members be divided alphabetically into appropriate classes beginning in 1960 and ending in 1963. The staff is instructed to inform each member, by mail, indicating the class in which he is to serve.

CONSIDERATION OF POLICY STATEMENT

A policy statement, as approved by the Executive Committee, was submitted to the full Council for consideration. After much discussion, the staff was instructed to revise and issue the statement in the light of suggestions submitted by the members.

OTHER BUSINESS

The Council gave a vote of thanks to the staff for the effective performance of its duties during the year.

A motion was unanimously approved and adopted that an expression of appreciation go to Atlanta University for the use of its facilities.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE TO THE ANUAL MEETING, 1959

Dr. Rufus E. Clement, Chairman
Presented by: Mr. Marion A. Wright

November 11, 1959

Since the full Council was last assembled your Executive Committee has met three times to carry out the mandates of the 1958 Annual Meeting and to give policy direction to the staff.

This year, while emphasizing the seriousness of the problems which face us, has been an outstanding one for the Southern Regional Council. In the Report of the Executive Committee to this body last year the observation was made that: "(The Council's) area of influence and effectiveness needs to be broadened, its financial base needs further solidifying, its staff structure needs to be strengthened to meet the staggering demands which a time of crisis makes upon an organization like ours."

While much remains to be done, it is encouraging to report that substantial progress has been made in all of these areas.

A number of outstanding Southerners nominated by this body last year have accepted membership in the Council. They are: The Rev. Thomas Thrasher, Montgomery, Alabama; Dr. Arthur Gray, Talladega, Alabama; Mr. A. G. Gaston, Birmingham, Alabama; Dr. H. Franklin Williams, Coral Gables, Florida; Miss Alice Cobb, Nashville, Tennessee; The Rev. Hubert Beckwith, Annandale, Virginia; and, Mr. E. T. Kehrer, Atlanta, Georgia.

We are pleased that most of these new members are with us today. We welcome them and the contributions they have to make to the deliberations of this body.

Regretfully, during the year the Council lost three of its dedicated members because of death: Mrs. Myra J. Bryant, Dr. E. C. Peters, and Bishop E. A. Penick. The Executive Committee, in the name of the Council, sent to the families of each of these members our expressions of sympathy and sense of loss.

There have been several significant staff changes during the year. The Executive Committee regretfully accepted the resignation of Mr. Frederick B. Routh, the Council's able Assistant Director, who is now Director of the Fair Employment Practices Commission of the State of Michigan. Mr. Routh is with us today and we welcome him back, even if for so short a time.

To assume the duties of Director of Field Activities, we were able to secure Mr. Paul Rilling, formerly the Director of the Virginia Council on Human Relations.

A new position has been created during the year, that of Director of Research. This much needed position of the Council's structure is being filled by Dr. Leslie W. Dunbar, formerly Chairman of the Department of Political Science at Mount Holyoke College.

Another new position was created by the establishment of the Council's Southern Leadership Project, financed by the Rockefeller Brothers Fund. You will recall that we discussed this project at length in our meeting last year. To fill this position we turned to our own board and persuaded Colonel Benjamin Muse to serve. Colonel Muse has the title and duties of the Director of the Southern Leadership Project. He took leave of absence as a Member of the Council when he began serving the Council in this new capacity.

We feel the Council is fortunate in having each of these men on the staff and that, because of them, we are now able to offer a number of needed services which were not possible in the past.

In addition to filling these positions, the Executive Committee, acting on recommendations from the Personnel Committee, has reviewed salaries, granted merit increases and annual increments, and otherwise carried out its responsibilities with regard to personnel.

Twice during the year the Executive Committee made formal expressions of appreciation to the staff members for the quality of their work and commitment.

Financially, the Council is operating this year on a budget of approximately $280,000 for general operations and special projects. Last year at the annual meeting total budgets of $241,365 were approved. The increases over this amount, which were approved by the Executive Committee, have been possible largely because of unanticipated special project funds. These unexpected funds included a special gift of $25,000 for use as additional grants-in-aid for state councils.

We feel that this enhanced financial status is a measure of the acceptance of the Council and its programs in national philanthropic circles.

In January of this year the Council, for the first time in its history, was able to establish a reserve fund. This fund is small - approximately $27,000 - but it does represent a move toward a much needed security of operation. During the coming year the Executive Committee plans to give additional

attention to increasing our financial stability. We are anxious to reduce as much as possible the formidable fund-raising task which we now face each year.

The Council now has from time to time an appreciable amount of funds in short-term investments, receives portions of its grants in stocks, and has the modest reserve fund just mentioned. For these reasons, the Executive Committee has appointed a Finance Committee to make recommendations to the Executive Committee on the handling of funds and to give the staff guidance in this area. The Committee consists of Miss Josephine Wilkins, Mr. Joseph Haas, and Mr. L. D. Milton.

The budget for 1960, as approved by the Executive Committee for your consideration today, represents a decrease from our current rate of expenditure. This proposed budget of $236,625 is the minimum necessary for a satisfactory central operation and for several worthwhile projects. We are hopeful that special project grants will allow us to increase this amount - especially in the area of grants-in-aid to the State Councils on Human Relations. We did not feel, however, that larger commitments could be made at this time, since even the minimum budget requires a substantial fund-raising efforts on the part of the staff.

Following a mandate from this body last year, the Executive Committee at its January meeting reviewed the Labor Consultant Program. The Committee heard a report prepared by Mr. Emory Via, former labor consultant. It was the opinion of the Committee that continuation of the program should be considered if a qualified person could be found to direct the work and if special funds could be secured for this purpose. To date, this combination of favorable factors has not been achieved. However, we will continue to be alert to opportunities in this field.

You have received in the mail proposed by-law changes which the Committee recommends to you after having given the matter serious consideration. These recommendations will be explained in greater detail later in this meeting. However, the Executive Committee is of the opinion that our present by-laws, which would automatically make approximately one-half of the present members ineligible for re-election within the next year, are unrealistic and wasteful of the talent and dedication which are now available to the Council.

In conclusion, it is the opinion of your Executive Committee that the Council has had a sound and rewarding year. There has been a substantial degree of recognition of the Council, its work and resources, in the national press, from governmental agencies, and from an appreciable number of private and public agencies and individuals in the South. This

would be satisfying in itself. But it is of particular significance that, because of this recognition, the Council's outreach and effectiveness have been greatly increased.

The major problems of any agency are those of using its resources to the fullest, seeing that information is received by those who should get it, having special skills brought to bear where they are most needed, and insuring that the all-too-limited funds and staff time are used in the most effective way.

Because of the increased recognition which the Council is receiving, these problems are less severe than formerly. As one of many possible examples, the private school study received considerable attention. The findings of this report needed to be widely disseminated, yet it strained the Council's resources to mail the study to a limited number of persons, including all public school superintendents in the South. Fortunately, however, our outreach was greatly increased; a major weekly news magazine devoted its education section to the report, a number of editorials appeared in daily papers ranging from the New York Times to the Richmond News Leader, and, perhaps most important of all, the stories from the wire services which gave the conclusions of the report were carried by most Southern newspapers as well as many in the rest of the nation.

In citing these positive developments, we do not mean to imply that any relaxation of effort is in order. Indeed, by the very nature of our concerns, there remains more to be done than any single organization could possibly accomplish. The Council must continue in its efforts at increased effectiveness, greater staff skills, and financial stability.

The Executive Committee wishes to commend all of the members of the staff of the Southern Regional Council for their devotion to duty and for the effective manner in which they are carrying out the wishes of the Southern Regional Council. The Executive Director, Mr. Harold Fleming, has given inspiring leadership to his staff and to the entire Council.

Your Executive Committee is pleased to report that 1959, the Council's 16th year of operation, has been a year of progress -- and, we hope, the prelude to an even more fruitful period to come.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

November 11, 1959

At the last Annual Meeting, the Council was informed of a newly received bequest from the late William Emerson consisting of common stocks with a market value of approximately $18,000. After some discussion, the Council voted "to instruct the Executive Committee, with the benefit of competent investment counsel, to consider at its next meeting whether the securities should be sold or retained, and whether or not the Emerson bequest should be used for current expenses."

The Executive Committee met next on January 26, 1959. In the meantime, the Council had received a gift of 780 shares of Gulf Oil common stock, in response to our request for program support totaling $95,000. At the time of receipt, on December 31, 1958, the total market value of this stock was approximately $98,000. In the light of the Council's policy quoted above, this stock as well as the Emerson bequest was held pending action by the Executive Committee.

By the time of the Executive Committee Meeting, the market value of the Gulf stock had declined by a total of approximately $10,000. Subsequently, a Finance Committee was appointed to review and decide on the disposition of the existing investments and related questions.

As already reported, a reserve fund of approximately $27,000 was established.

Our advice from competent investment specialists was that Gulf Oil is a basically sound stock and has good prospects of rising again to our book value of $126 per share sooner or later. Accordingly, the Finance Committee decided that this stock as well as the Emerson bequest should be held so long as the cash assets of the Council permitted, in the hope that a loss could be avoided. This is the situation at present. The aggregate market value of the Emerson stocks has remained virtually constant since we received it; the Gulf stock continues to be quoted at $10 or more per share below our book value. These stocks have paid regular dividends.

In order to avoid similar complications in the case of future stock gifts, the Finance Committee unanimously asked the Executive Committee to approve and recommend to this meeting the following statement of policy:

> "Gifts of securities designated for specific purposes shall be sold immediately upon receipt. Unrestricted gifts of securities shall be held pending action by a majority of the Finance Committee, the members of which shall be contacted immediately."

This proposal was approved by the Executive Committee on October 5 and is now submitted to you with the recommendation that it be adopted as the policy of the Council.

PROPOSED ALLOCATIONS TO STATE ORGANIZATIONS, 1960

State	Special Grant 1959*	Regular Allocation 1959	Suggested Allocation 1960
Alabama	$3,500	$4,200	$4,200
Arkansas	2,500	3,600	3,500
Florida	2,500	3,500	3,900
Georgia	2,500	3,800	3,500
Kentucky	1,000	2,000	1,500
Louisiana	0	2,000	0
North Carolina	2,500	4,000	3,900
South Carolina	3,000	3,800	3,900
Tennessee	2,500	3,500	3,500
Texas	0	600	0
Virginia	3,000	4,000	3,900
State Aid Discretionary Fund			1,200
Total	$23,000	$35,000	$33,000

* from anonymous donation

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE AT ANNUAL MEETING

November 11, 1959

Rev. Hubert Beckwith
Annandale, Virginia

Dr. B. R. Brazeal
Atlanta, Georgia

Mr. Irving E. Carlyle
Winston-Salem, N. C.

Rev. C. S. Cartwright
Little Rock, Arkansas

Mr. Paul Christopher
Knoxville, Tennessee

Miss Alice Cobb
Nashville, Tennessee

Dr. James A. Colston
Knoxville, Tennessee

Mrs. James S. Crate
Houston, Texas

Dr. Merrimon Cuninggim
Dallas, Texas

Mr. Herbert Davidson
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dr. Albert W. Dent
New Orleans, Louisiana

Rev. Caxton Doggett
Winter Park, Florida

Dr. C. G. Gomillion
Tuskegee, Alabama

Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton
Atlanta, Georgia

Dr. M. LaFayette Harris
Little Rock, Arkansas

Rev. Duncan Hunter
Alexander City, Alabama

Mr. E. T. Kehrer
Atlanta, Georgia

Rabbi Charles Mantinband
Hattiesburg, Mississippi

Dr. E. A. McDowell
Wake Forest, North Carolina

Mr. L. D. Milton
Atlanta, Georgia

Dr. Riley B. Montgomery
Lexington, Kentucky

Mrs. J. N. Rayzor
Houston, Texas

Dr. Harry V. Richardson
Atlanta, Georgia

Miss Dorcas Ruthenburg
Louisville, Kentucky

Mr. Charles A. Shaw
Houston, Texas

Mr. Courtney Siceloff
Frogmore, South Carolina

Mr. W. E. Solomon
Columbia, South Carolina

Mr. James E. Stewart
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Mr. James Stokely
Newport, Tennessee

Miss Florence Sytz
New Orleans, Louisiana

Mr. Lee B. Thomas, Jr.
Louisville, Kentucky

Dr. Raymond Wheeler
Charlotte, North Carolina

Dr. H. Franklin Williams
Coral Gables, Florida

Mr. Marion A. Wright
Linville Falls, North Carolina

Dr. Stephen J. Wright
Nashville, Tennessee

Mr. Thomas W. Young
Norfolk, Virginia

Dr. Bell I. Wiley
Atlanta, Georgia

Dr. H. C. Trenholm
Montgomery, Alabama

Mr. I. H. Burney
Jacksonville, Florida

Dr. & Mrs. N. K. Menon
Malaya
(Visiting guests)

Mr. J. M. Dabbs
Mayesville, South Carolina

Southern Regional Council, Inc.
ROOM 432, 63 AUBURN AVENUE, N. E. ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA
JAckson 2-8764

HAROLD C. FLEMING
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

A Council to attain, through research and action, the ideals and practices of equal opportunity for all peoples in the South.

MEMORANDUM December 17, 1959

To: Members of Executive Committee

From: Paul Anthony
Administrative Assistant

Re: SCHEDULING OF JANUARY MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE.

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There is a need to place before the Executive Committee a number of important matters at the earliest opportunity.

The President and the Chairman of the Committee have indicated that they can be present on January 5th or January 26th. Accordingly, the meeting will be held on one of these dates, if at all possible. Please fill in the enclosed card and return it at your earliest convenience. We will inform you of the date selected by the majority of the Committee as soon as possible.

When held, the meeting will begin at 10:00 a.m., in the SRC Conference Room and will end at the completion of business; no later than 4:00 p.m.

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STOCK	DECEMBER 31, 1958		DECEMBER 31, 1959		EARNINGS (Yield) (including stock)
Gulf Oil	780 shares @ $126-	$ 98,280.00	2340 shares @36 3/4-	$ 85,995.00	$4,912.50 (4¼%)
Dun & Bradstreet	200 shares @ 44¼-	8,850.00	200 shares @46 -	9,200.00	540.00 (6%)
Sunray Mid-Cont.	160 shares @ 23½-	3,760.00	160 shares @23 5/8-	3,776.00	211.20 (5 3/4%)
Tidewater Oil	120 shares @24 7/8-	2,985.00	120 shares @24 -	2,884.20	144.00 (5%)
Texas Gulf Prod.	100 shares @32 3/8-	3,237.00	100 shares @33 -	3,300.00	75.00 (2½%)
		$117,112.00		$105,155.20 (-11,956.80)	

Cash dividends	$ 3,166.20
Stock dividends	2,716.50
Total:	$ 5,882.70

Approximate yield 5%

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

PROPOSED BUDGET - GENERAL OPERATIONS - 1960

I. General Operations

Minimum Operating Budget:

Salaries	$ 72,650.00	
Social Security Taxes	1,475.00	
Travel	8,000.00	
Printing & Postage, NEW SOUTH	8,500.00	
Printing, Other	3,000.00	
Rent	3,600.00	
Telephone & Telegraph	4,500.00	
Postage	1,800.00	
Accounting & Other Fees	600.00	
Books & Subscriptions	150.00	
Insurance	1,100.00	
Office Supplies	1,200.00	
Office Repairs & Maintenance	250.00	
Board & Executive Committee Mtgs.	3,500.00	
Aid to State Councils on Human Relations	33,000.00	
Total:	$145,125.00	$145,125.00

II. Income Forecast

Funds on Hand or Committed:

Fund for the Republic	$ 25,000.00	
Rockefeller Brothers Fund	4,000.00	
The Field Foundation	25,000.00	
Individual Donor	25,000.00	
Marion Ascoli Fund	1,000.00	
Adele Levy Fund	1,000.00	
	$ 81,000.00	$ 81,000.00

Anticipated:

Churches	$ 3,850.00	
Organizations	2,500.00	
Individuals & Office Related	8,500.00	
	$ 14,850.00	$ 14,850.00
Total, Committed or Anticipated:		$ 95,850.00
BALANCE TO BE RAISED:		$ 49,275.00

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL
63 Auburn Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

MEMORANDUM

December 23, 1959

To: Members of Executive Committee

From: Paul Anthony
Administrative Assistant

Re: DATE OF JANUARY MEETING OF COMMITTEE.

A majority of the members of the Committee have indicated a preference for Tuesday, January 26th as the date for the January meeting. Therefore, the meeting will be held on that date.

The meeting will begin at 10:00 a.m., in the SRC Conference Room. Lunch will be served and the meeting will end at the completion of business; no later than 4:00 p.m.

If we can assist you in making reservations, arrangements for transportation, or in any other way, please let us know.

It seems that the great majority of the members will be present and we look forward to seeing you on January 26th.

STATUS OF NEW MEMBERS

Bishop John E. Hines Houston, Texas	-	Invited
Mrs. Vivian Carter Mason Norfolk, Virginia	-	Accepted
Fred D. Alexander Charlotte, North Carolina	-	Accepted
Stanton Smith Nashville, Tennessee	-	(Acceptance contingent upon results of consultation with Executive body of the Tennessee State Labor Council.)
J. Ray Shute Monroe, Notth Carolina	-	Accepted
Francis Pickens Miller Charlottesville, Va.	-	Accepted
Brooks Hays Knoxville, Tennessee	-	Declined
Omer Carmichael Louisville, Kentucky	-	Invited; Died January 1960
Stewart Carter Fincastle, Virginia	-	Invited

Mrs. W. J. Pate
~~Mr. W. J. Pate~~

January 25, 1960

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SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

Atlanta, Georgia

BALANCE SHEET
December 31, 1959

ASSETS

Cash in Bank - Checking	$ 52,968.01	
Investment in Securities	145,155.20	
Total Assets		$198,123.21

LIABILITIES

Due to Special Projects, 1960-61:		
Consultant Service Program	$ 15,705.68	
Fellowship of the Concerned	1,149.37	
Registration and Voting Survey	1,802.13	
Contingency Fund	5,701.53	
Research Department	28,821.54	
Southern Leadership Project	21,133.32	$ 74,313.57
Special Grants-in-Aid to State Councils on Human Relations		25,000.00
General Operations	69,060.19	
Reserve Fund	27,982.45	
Obligations Outstanding	1,767.00	98,809.64
Total Liabilities		$198,123.21

INCOME AND EXPENSES - GENERAL OPERATIONS

January 1 - December 31, 1959

INCOME

Contributions:		
Foundations	$110,280.00	
Bequest, Cash	2,416.57	
Organizations	2,619.50	
Churches	3,800.00	
Individuals	1,450.16	$120,566.23
Interest Income	3,818.53	
Dividends on Securities	3,166.20	
NEW SOUTH Subscriptions	5,084.21	
Sale of Literature	714.47	
Honoraria	135.00	
Associate Members' Dues	55.00	
Overhead from project grants	6,000.00	18,973.41
Total Income		$139,539.64

EXPENSES

Salaries	$ 66,256.90	
Social Security Taxes	1,572.67	
Travel	6,868.74	
Telephone and Telegraph	3,113.77	
Executive Committee Meetings and Annual Meeting	3,982.46	
Consultant Fees	910.00	
Books and Subscriptions	676.77	
Office Supplies	2,010.18	
NEW SOUTH Postage	1,990.87	
NEW SOUTH Printing	5,697.61	
Postage-Other	1,739.69	
Printing-Other	1,912.81	
Liability Insurance	67.46	
Rent	3,600.00	
Legal and Accounting	225.00	
Georgia Sales Tax	17.00	
Miscellaneous	1,001.37	
Grants-in-Aid to State Councils	32,550.00	
Group Hospitalization Insurance	322.95	
Group Term Life Insurance	363.98	
Office Equipment	1,192.03	
Office Repairs	770.70	
Total Expenses		$136,842.96
Excess of Income over Expenses		$ 2,696.68

SCHEDULE OF CONTRIBUTIONS - GENERAL OPERATIONS

January 1 - December 31, 1959

FOUNDATIONS

Fund for the Republic (received 1957)	$ 53,280.00	
The Field Foundation	20,000.00	
The New York Fund for Children	5,000.00	
New York Foundation	5,000.00	
William C. Whitney Foundation	5,000.00	
New World Foundation	20,000.00	
Christopher Reynolds Foundation	2,000.00	
Total		$110,280.00

ORGANIZATIONS

United Steelworkers of America	$ 1,000.00	
International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union	500.00	
American Federation of Labor and Congress of Industrial Organizations	1,000.00	
Mechanics and Farmers Bank, Durham, N. C.	100.00	
Consolidated Charities Committee, LeMoyne College	19.50	
Total		$ 2,619.50

CHURCHES

Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the USA		$ 1,000.00	
Woman's Division of Christian Service of the Board of Missions, the Methodist Church		1,200.00	
Board of National Missions of the Methodist Church		1,000.00	
Board of National Missions of the Presbyterian Church, USA		250.00	
Board of Education of the Methodist Church		300.00	
Woman's Society of Christian Service:			
Florida Conference	25.00		
North Carolina Conference	25.00	50.00	
Total			$ 3,800.00

INCOME AND EXPENSES - SPECIAL PROJECTS

January 1 - December 31, 1959

RESEARCH DEPARTMENT

INCOME

Balance, January 1, 1959 (Individual Donor)		$50,000.00
Travel refunds	$ 91.32	
Books and Subscriptions refund	15.00	106.32
Total Income		$50,106.32

EXPENSES

Salaries	$ 14,581.86	
Travel and Communication	1,248.89	
Printing	1,397.68	
Books and Subscriptions	625.41	
Program Materials	1,000.00	
Equipment	716.37	
Office Supplies	398.36	
Consultants' Fees	1,050.00	
Consultants' Travel	206.21	
Postage	60.00	
Total Expenses		21,284.78
Balance, December 31, 1959		$28,821.54

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CONSULTANT SERVICE PROGRAM

INCOME

Balance, January 1, 1959:		
Carry over - New World Foundation, 1958	$ 7,831.48	
Individual Donor, 1958 for 1959-60	20,000.00	
Total Income		$27,831.48

EXPENSES

Consultants' Fees	$ 4,645.00	
Travel and Communication	4,711.55	
Program Materials	769.25	
Overhead	2,000.00	
Total Expenses		12,125.80
Balance, December, 1959		$15,705.68

INCOME AND EXPENSES - SPECIAL PROJECTS

January 1 - December 31, 1959

NEGRO REGISTRATION AND VOTING

INCOME

Balance, January 1, 1959 - The Field Foundation		$ 7,933.21

EXPENSES

Salaries	$ 947.50	
Consultants' Fees	1,022.50	
Travel and Communication	968.08	
Printing - Project Report	3,193.00	
Total Expenses		6,131.08
Balance, December 31, 1959		$1,802.13

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FELLOWSHIP OF THE CONCERNED

INCOME

Balance, January 1, 1959		$ 2,594.55
Phelps-Stokes Fund	$ 2,000.00	
John Hay Whitney	2,000.00	
Winston-Salem Y. W. C. A.	50.00	
Delta Sigma Theta Sorority	57.65	
Honoraria	30.00	
Individual Contribution	5.00	4,142.65
Total Income		$ 6,737.20

EXPENSES

Local Meetings	$ 124.46	
Travel expenses for State Meetings	648.32	
Annual Southwide Meeting	4,657.45	
Program Materials	157.60	
Total Expenses		5,587.83
Balance, December 31, 1959		$ 1,149.37

INCOME AND EXPENSES - SPECIAL PROJECTS

January 1 - December 31, 1959

SOUTHERN LEADERSHIP PROJECT
(Project fiscal year ends May 31, 1960)

INCOME

Balance, January 1, 1959 - Rockefeller Brothers Fund		$37,240.02

EXPENSES

Salaries	$ 4,400.04	
Travel and Communication	2,578.66	
Office Expense	1,451.20	
Program Materials	989.04	
Consultants' Fees	725.40	
Consultants' Travel	218.04	
Printing and Distribution	1,744.32	
Overhead	4,000.00	
Total Expenses		16,106.70
Balance, December 31, 1959		$21,133.32

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CONTINGENCY FUND

INCOME

Balance, January 1, 1959 - New World Foundation		$ 9,400.00

EXPENSES

Contingency Fund

Georgia Council on Human Relations	$ 1,020.00	
United Liberal Church	1,000.00	
Delta Foundation	425.00	
Georgia Council of Churches	20.00	
Unitarian Church of Norfolk, Virginia	500.00	
Virginia Council on Human Relations	150.00	
Printing	196.52	
Community Educational Service - Emory University	186.95	
Total Expenses		3,498.47
Balance, December 31, 1959		$ 5,901.53

AID TO INDEPENDENT STATE COUNCILS ON HUMAN RELATIONS

January 1 - December 31, 1959

RECEIPTS

Allocation from General Operating Funds	$32,550.00	
Individual Donor (received 1958 for 1959)	23,000.00	
Individual Donor (received 1959 for 1960)	25,000.00	
Rockefeller Brothers Fund (for Arkansas	8,000.00	
New World Foundation (for North Carolina)	2,500.00	
Individual Contributions	3,852.47	
Total Receipts		$94,902.47

DISBURSEMENTS

General Operations:		
Alabama Council on Human Relations	$ 3,750.00	
Arkansas Council on Human Relations	3,600.00	
Florida Council on Human Relations	3,500.00	
Georgia Council on Human Relations	3,800.00	
Kentucky Council on Human Relations	2,000.00	
North Carolina Council on Human Relations	4,000.00	
South Carolina Council on Human Relations	3,800.00	
Tennessee Council on Human Relations	3,500.00	
Texas - Houston Council on Human Relations	600.00	
Virginia Council on Human Relations	4,000.00	32,550.00
Individual Donor:		
Alabama Council on Human Relations	$ 3,500.00	
Arkansas Council on Human Relations	2,500.00	
Florida Council on Human Relations	2,500.00	
Georgia Council on Human Relations	2,500.00	
Kentucky Council on Human Relations	1,000.00	
North Carolina Council on Human Relations	2,500.00	
South Carolina Council on Human Relations	3,000.00	
Tennessee Council on Human Relations	2,500.00	
Virginia Council on Human Relations	3,000.00	23,000.00
Arkansas Council on Human Relations - Rockefeller Brothers Fund		8,000.00
North Carolina Council on Human Relations - New World Foundation		2,500.00
Individual Contributions:		
Alabama Council on Human Relations	542.73	
Arkansas Council on Human Relations	100.00	
Florida Council on Human Relations	2,441.12	
North Carolina Council on Human Relations	250.00	
Georgia Council on Human Relations	91.00	
Virginia Council on Human Relations	427.62	3,852.47
Total Disbursements		$69,902.47

Total Receipts	$94,902.47
Less: Total Disbursements	69,902.47
Balance for 1960 (Individual Donor)	$25,000.00

January 22, 1960

Dr. Rufus E. Clement
President
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Dr. Clement:

Enclosed is the proposed agenda for the Executive Committee meeting of the 26th.

Item number four of the executive session, "Staff Retirement Program" appears on the agenda because of action taken at the annual meeting. At that time, it was requested by the members that the staff determine feasible retirement programs and submit them to the Executive Committee for consideration. We have not been able to collect this information in time to circulate it to the Committee beforehand.

Since retirement programs are involved at best, the Committee may wish to refer this matter to the Personnel Committee, the Finance Committee or a separate committee established for that purpose. However, if the Executive Committee wishes to consider the matter on the 26th, Harold Fleming and I will be prepared to present the matter to the Committee during the executive session.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

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Enclosure - 1.

PROPOSED AGENDA
for
Meeting of the Executive Committee, Southern Regional Council

Atlanta, Georgia
January 26, 1960

EXECUTIVE SESSION - Staff on Call

10:00 a.m.

Invocation

Adoption of Agenda

Election of Chairman

Staff Retirment Program

Other Business for Executive Session

GENERAL SESSION

Report of the Executive Director

Financial Reports

Income & Expenses - Mrs. Alexander

Status of Securities - Mr. Anthony

New Grants and Proposed Reallocation of Funds - Mr. Fleming

Authorization to Negotiate Loans - Mr. Milton and Mr. Haas

Special Grants-in-Aid to State Councils - Mr. Rilling

Status of New Members - Mr. Dabbs

Election of Two Members to Nominating Committee

Discussion of Program Activities for 1960

Staff resources: Mrs. M. E. Tilly, Fellowship of the Concerned; Leslie W. Dunbar, Research; John Constable, Information; John Hope, Benjamin Muse, C. H. Parrish - Special Projects.

Other Business

NOTE: Lunch will be served at 12:30 p.m. or thereabout, at the convenience of the Committee.

PROPOSED AGENDA

MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL
ATLANTA, GA.
January 26, 1959

EXECUTIVE SESSION (Staff on call)

10:00 a.m.

Invocation

Adoption of Agenda

Election of Chairman

Staff Retirement Program

Other Business for Executive Session

GENERAL SESSION

Report of the Executive Director

Financial Reports

Income & Expenses - Mrs. Alexander

Status of Securities - Mr. Anthony

New Grants and Proposed Reallocation of ~~Grants~~ Funds - Mr. Fleming

Authorization to Negotiate Loans - Mr. ~~[illegible]~~ Milton and Mr. Haas

Special Grants-In-Aid to State Councils - Mr. Rilling

Status of New Members - Mr. Dabbs

Election of Two Members to Nominating Committee

Discussion of Program Activities for 1960

Staff resources: Mrs. M. E. Tilly, Fellowship of the Concerned; ~~Mr.~~ Leslie W. Dunbar, Research; John Constable, Information; ~~Benjamin Mays,~~ John Hope, Benjamin Mays, C. H. Parrish - Special Projects.

Other Business

Lunch will be served at 12:30 p.m. or ~~thereafter~~ thereabout, at the convenience of the Committee.

PROPOSED AGENDA
for
Meeting of the Executive Committee, Southern Regional Council

Atlanta, Georgia
January 26, 1960

EXECUTIVE SESSION - Staff on Call

10:00 a.m.

Invocation

A. Adoption of Agenda

Election of Chairman

Staff Retirment Program

Other Business for Executive Session

GENERAL SESSION

Report of the Executive Director

Financial Reports

B Income & Expenses - Mrs. Alexander

C Status of Securities - Mr. Anthony

D New Grants and Proposed Reallocation of Funds - Mr. Fleming

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MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
Southern Regional Council
January 26, 1960

The meeting of the Executive Committee convened at 10:00 a.m. on January 26, 1960, in the Southern Regional Council Conference Room, with Dr. Clement, Chairman, presiding.

Those present:

Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton
Fr. Alexander O. Sigur
Joseph Haas
The Rev. Duncan Hunter
Miss Josephine Wilkins
John Griffin
Rabbi Jacob Rothschild
John H. Wheeler
The Rev. W. Carroll Brooke
Marion A. Wright
Paul Christopher

Shortly before the meeting, Mr. Dabbs called to inform the Committee that he had experienced automobile trouble enroute and would not be able to attend.

All members of the professional staff were present, with Mrs. Mildred Flowers serving as secretary.

EXECUTIVE SESSION
(Staff on Call)

The following actions were taken in Executive Session: (1) Dr. Rufus E. Clement was re-elected as chairman of the Executive Committee; (2) the Personnel Committee was instructed to study the desirability of instituting a retirement plan for staff members and to make recommendations at the next Executive Committee meeting; (3) the staff was instructed to investigate plans available through other than commercial insurance companies and to inform the Personnel Committee of its findings.

GENERAL SESSION

The Committee gave a vote of thanks to the staff for the work performed during the past year.

Report of the Executive Director

The Executive Director expressed appreciation, on behalf of the staff, for the sentiments of the Executive Committee and pointed out that the staff feels strongly supported by the degree of Committee participation and interest in the affairs of the Council.

The newly elected members of the Committee, the Rev. W. Carroll Brooke and Rabbi Jacob Rothschild were welcomed to

their first meeting of the Committee.

The Director expressed his concern over the fact that at the Annual Meeting the demands of necessary administrative items left little time for the members to consider matters of program. He suggested that when the Executive Committee makes plans for the 1960 meeting, consideration might be given to scheduling a longer meeting in order that the full participation of the members might be possible.

The Director reported on the disposition of the Policy Statement as issued by the staff at the direction of the Annual Meeting. The statement received good publicity and editorial comment. The Committee expressed its satisfaction at the way in which this matter was handled.

The Director reported that a special gift of $25,000 had been received from an individual donor for the purpose of additional grants-in-aid to the State Councils on Human Relations. The distribution of these funds would be a matter for the Executive Committee to consider.

While the Council has been relatively free of attacks during the past months, the Director reported on the hearings of the Mississippi Legislative Investigating Committee. At these hearings SRC and the Council's members in Mississippi, especially Hodding Carter, came under attack during the testimony of professional witness, J. B. Matthews. The Director stated that it was a pleasure to report that these attacks received little attention outside Mississippi and were effectively rebutted, especially by Mr. Carter's paper, the Delta-Democrat Times of Greenville.

The Committee was reminded that for three years, through 1960, SRC has been able to rely on annual allotments of $50,000 from the terminal grant from the Fund for the Republic. After 1960 this source of support will no longer exist. In addition, the Research Department, now being underwritten as a special project through a two-year grant, will probably have to become a part of general operations after 1960. For these reasons, and in light of the Council's current relatively sound financial position, the Director recommended that one-half ($25,000) of the 1960 Fund for the Republic allocation be set aside for use in 1961.

It was moved and adopted that the re-allocation of funds from the Fund for the Republic grant be approved as requested; $25,000 for use in 1960, $25,000 for use in 1961.

The Director reported that in recent weeks the Council found itself in an awkward financial position in terms of available cash. This condition came about because committed

grants were not received when expected and the staff was reluctant to dispose of sound investments to meet a requirement of very short duration. In considering a short-term loan, it was discovered that the By-Laws make no specific provisions for negotiating loans.

In the specific instance described, however, on approval of two members of the Finance Committee, a loan was arranged through the Citizens Trust Company. The loan was repaid in two weeks and no interest charges were made.

For future situations, the Director recommended that the Committee remedy this situation.

The following motion was unanimously approved and adopted: That the Executive Director, on approval of the Finance Committee, be authorized to negotiate such short-term loans as may be necessary to continue the operations of the Council; said loans to be signed by the Executive Director and the Secretary-Treasurer.

Financial Reports

Mrs. Alexander presented a summary account of income and expenses for the period January 1 through December 31, 1959. (See attached)

Mr. Anthony presented a report on the status of securities presently held by SRC. (See attached)

Special Grants-In-Aid to State Councils

Paul Rilling presented a proposed schedule of grants-in-aid for the State Councils on Human Relations, representing the special grant of $25,000 provided by an individual donor. In the case of each state council, special conditions were made as a part of the recommendation. (See attached)

It was unanimously approved and adopted that the special grants be allocated as outlined; leaving to the staff the authorization to re-allocate any funds in instances where situations changed from that as reflected in the approved schedule.

Status of New Members - The following report was made on the response of persons invited to membership at Annual Meeting:

Bishop John E. Hines Houston, Tex.	-	Invited, no response to date
Mrs. Vivian C. Mason Norfolk, Virginia	-	Accepted
Mr. Fred D. Alexander Charlotte, North Carolina	-	Accepted

Mr. Stanton Smith Nashville, Tennessee	-	Accepted
Mr. J. Ray Shute Monroe, North Carolina	-	Accepted
Mr. Francis Pickens Miller Charlottesville, Virginia	-	Accepted
Mr. Brooks Hays Knoxville, Tennessee	-	Declined
Mr. Omer Carmichael Louisville, Kentucky	-	Invited; Died January 1960
Mr. Stewart Carter Fincastle, Virginia	-	Invited, no response to date

Election of Two Members to Nominating Committee

At the Annual Meeting of November 11, 1959, three members were elected to the Nominating Committee; Miss Dorcas Ruthenburg, Dr. Raymond Wheeler, and Mr. Thomas Young. As prescribed by the By-Laws, two additional members shall be elected by the Executive Committee.

The following were nominated: Dr. Stephen Wright and Mr. E. T. Kehrer. It was moved and adopted that the secretary record in these Minutes a unanimous vote for the Committee on the election of Dr. Wright and Mr. Kehrer.

Discussion of Program Activities

Each professional staff member presented brief summaries of program activities and prospects for the year, after which discussion followed.

Other Business

The Executive Director suggested that the Committee set the date of the next meeting. Three dates were suggested; April 26, April 29, and May 3.

The staff was instructed to poll the members to determine which of these dates would be most suitable.

Upon learning of the illness of Mr. M. E. Tilly, the Committee instructed the staff to convey to Mr. and Mrs. Tilly sympathy and best wishes on behalf of the Committee.

With no other business, the meeting was adjourned.

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL
63 Auburn Ave., N. E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

MEMORANDUM January 27, 1960

To: Members of the Executive Committee

From: Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

Re: DATES OF SPRING EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING.

The Executive Committee, on January 26, selected three possible dates for the spring Executive Committee meeting. These are:

April 26, April 29, and May 3

On the enclosed card please indicate your preference of dates, as well as all dates which are possible for you.

We will inform you of the choice of the majority as soon as possible.

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January 29, 1960

Dr. Albert W. Dent
President, Dillard University
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Al:

We missed you at the Executive Committee meeting Tuesday. Mr. Dabbs was also prevented from attending, and I have written him a brief summary of what transpired. I thought you might like to have it also.

Best regards.

Sincerely,

Harold C. Fleming
Executive Director

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Enc.

January 29, 1960

Mr. L. D. Milton
President, Citizens Trust Company
212 Auburn Avenue
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Milton:

We missed you at the Executive Committee meeting Tuesday. Mr. Dabbs was also prevented from attending, and I have written him a brief summary of what transpired. I thought you might like to have it also.

Best regards.

Sincerely,

Harold C. Fleming
Executive Director

HCF/sm
Enc.

January 29, 1960

Mr. James McBride Dabbs
Rip Raps Plantation
Mayesville, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Dabbs:

Everyone was sorry that car trouble kept you from being with us at the executive committee meeting Tuesday. It was a well-attended and useful session with -- wonder of wonders-- some time devoted to discussion of program.

You will be getting the minutes in due course, but since we are fearfully behind in such bureaucratic matters, this is to give you a brief summary of actions taken.

1. Dr. Clement, despite his protestations, was re-elected chairman; it was agreed, however, that he will be replaced next year.

2. A proposal originating at the Annual Meeting, which calls for the Executive Committee to look into a staff retirement plan, was referred to the Personnel Committee for study and recommendations at the next meeting.

3. In the discussion of finances, it was pointed out that we will have a big drop in prospective income for 1961; it was agreed that we should try to salvage for 1961 $25,000 of the remaining $50,000 of Fund for the Republic money.

4. I reported that we had received $25,000 for special aid to state councils, and Paul Rilling presented a plan for allocation of these funds (attached), which was approved.

5. Two additional members of the nominating committee were elected -- E. T. Kehrer and Stephen Wright.

6. The staff was authorized to negotiate loans, when and if needed, with the approval of the Finance Committee.

7. The discussion of program was too long to be summarized here, but it was helpful to the staff, and, I hope, to the Executive Committee.

8. Three alternative dates were proposed for the next meeting, and members of the committee have been circularized for their preferences.

Best regards.

Sincerely,

Harold C. Fleming
Executive Director

HCF/sm
Enc. - Schedule of Special Aid
cc: A. W. Dent
L. D. Milton

P. Kilbing

SUGGESTED ALLOCATION OF SPECIAL GRANT FOR STATE GROUPS, 1960

State	Total Funds Raised, 1959*	Funds Raised Locally, 1959	Regular SRC Grant, 1960	Proposed Special SRC Grant	Suggested Conditions for Special Grant
Alabama	$7,093	$4,593	$4,200	$3,000	$1,500 immediately; $1,500 to match evenly local funds raised in excess of $2,500, between December 1, 1959 and June 1, 1960. Total local funds to qualify for full grant - $4,000.
Arkansas	$9,897	$1,897	$3,500	$2,000	$1,000 immediately; remaining $1,000 to match evenly local funds raised in excess of $2,000, between December 1, 1959 and June 1, 1960. Total local funds -- $3,000.
*Florida	$9,015	$7,015	$3,900	$2,500	To be determined
Georgia	$3,295	$3,295	$3,500	$4,500	$750 immediately; $750 to match evenly local funds raised in excess of $2,500, between December 1, 1959 and June 1, 1960. Total local funds - $3,200. $3,000 to be made available to assist Georgia Council in employment of full-time State Director when and if GCHR carries through reorganization plans.
Kentucky	$1,000 (app.)	$1,000	$1,500	$500	To be made available immediately to assist with research activity.
North Carolina	$9,145	$4,145	$3,900	$3,000	$1,500 immediately; $1,500 to match evenly local funds raised in excess of $2,500, between December 1, 1959 and June 1, 1960. Total local funds -- $4,000.
South Carolina	$2,537	$2,537	$3,900	$3,000	$1,500 immediately; $1,500 to match evenly local funds raised in excess of $2,000, between December 1, 1959 and June 1, 1960. Total funds - $3,500

* does not include SRC aid

State	Total Funds Raised, 1959*	Funds Raised Locally, 1959	Regular SRC Grant, 1960	Proposed Special SRC Grant	Suggested Conditions for Special Grant
Tennessee	$1,138	$1,138	$3,500	$2,500	$2,500 to be used to match evenly local funds raised in excess of $1,000, between December 1, 1959 and June 1, 1960. Total local funds -- $3,500. (the TCHR, by past ruling of the Executive Committee, received the regular assistance for 1960 under special conditions. The third quarterly allotment to the TCHR will be made available only if they have raised $2,000 locally as of that time.)
Virginia	$8,704	$7,704	$3,900	$3,000	$1,500 immediately; $1,500 to match evenly local funds raised in excess of $3,500, between December 1, 1959 and June 1, 1960. Total local funds -- $5,000
Texas	--	--	--	$1,000	Dependent upon the submission of a program demonstrating a need for the funds and indicating how they will be used.
			Total, Special Grant	$25,000	

* does not include SRC aid

DILLARD UNIVERSITY
NEW ORLEANS 22, LOUISIANA

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

February 5, 1960

Dear Harold:

I regretted, exceedingly, that an emergency situation here prevented my attending the Executive Committee meeting on January 26. I regret even more that in the pressure of things here I was not thoughtful enough to tell you of the last minute change in my plans.

I have read with interest the summary which you sent to Mr. Dabbs and I shall look forward to receiving the minutes.

As things now stand, I am free to attend the next meeting on April 26, 29 or May 3. When the date is decided on, ask Paul to let me know and I will mark it on my calendar with the hope that nothing will interfere with my coming next time.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

A. W. Dent
President

Mr. Harold C. Fleming
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

AWD:db

Mr. Dabbs is due here Feb 9

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL
63 Auburn Avenue, NE
Atlanta, Georgia

MEMORANDUM

February 19, 1960

To: Members of the Executive Committee

From: Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

Re: DATE OF NEXT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING.

A majority of the members of the Executive Committee selected Tuesday, May 3rd, as the date for the next meeting. Therefore, the meeting will be held on that date in the SRC Conference Room, beginning at 10:00 a.m., and ending at approximately 4:00 p.m.

We look forward to seeing you at that time.

March 1, 1960

Dr. Albert W. Dent
President
Dillard University
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Al:

Thanks for your letter of February 24 and the word that you can be with us on May 3.

Several Executive Committee members have lately raised questions about the time-span of the meetings. You may recall that the present pattern was established some time ago after considerable discussion. Most of the current questions concern the desirability of making the meetings longer, so that there can be fuller discussion of program activities.

In any case, it has seemed to the staff that this matter ought to be on the agenda of the May meeting. The staff has no ax to grind, one way or the other; we'll be happy to conform to whatever time-span and duration the Committee prescribes. I agree with you, however, that if we keep our present "one-day" rule, a full afternoon meeting would be more efficient than the current practice.

I don't feel justified in changing the schedule of the next meeting -- unless Rufus decides, as

chairman, that such a change is desirable and proper. But I do hope we can get a meeting of minds about the best pattern for the future.

My best regards.

Sincerely,

Harold C. Fleming
Executive Director

HCF/mf
cc: Dr. Rufus E. Clement

DILLARD UNIVERSITY
NEW ORLEANS 22, LOUISIANA

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

February 24, 1960

Dear Harold:

I have just received from Paul a notice comfirming the date for the next meeting of the Executive Committee as Tuesday, May 3. This date is clear on my calendar and I now see no reason why I cannot be present for the meeting.

May I raise with you a question with regard to the time of Executive Committee meetings. In order to make a morning meeting I have to come to Atlanta the night before. This adds hotel expense unless Rufus is kind enough to ask me to stay at his house. It also is more inconvenient to take a night plane up. I can take a morning plane which would enable me to get into your office by 12 o'clock and there are several planes back to New Orleans between 6:00 p.m., and 8:30 p.m. It would therefore be much more convenient for me if Executive Committee meetings could start with lunch, for under ordinary circumstances we would be through with our business by 4:00 or 5:00 p.m. It might be that afternoon meetings are too inconvenient for others but if the afternoon is just as convenient for them, it would permit me to fly up in the morning and back the same day.

Sincerely yours,

A. W. Dent
President

Dr. Harold Fleming
Southern Regional Council
63 Auburn Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia

AWD:db

cc: Dr. R. E. Clement

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

BALANCE SHEET
March 31, 1960

ASSETS

Cash in Banks	$ 26,124.97	
Securities	145,155.20	
Total Assets		$171,280.17

LIABILITIES

Due to Special Projects:		
Research Department	$ 24,104.83	
Consultant Service Program	13,385.22	
Southern Leadership Project	16,690.78	
Contingency Fund	4,857.05	
Fellowship of the Concerned	1,019.36	
Voting Survey	1,902.13	$ 61,959.37
State Councils on Human Relations - Special Grants-in-Aid	19,000.00	
1961 Appropriation - General Operations	25,000.00	
Reserve Fund	29,923.57	
1960 - General Operations	35,397.23	109,320.80
Total Liabilities		$171,280.17

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSES - GENERAL OPERATIONS
January 1, 1960 to March 31, 1960

INCOME

Carry over - January 1, 1960		$ 44,060.19
Contributions:		
Individuals	$ 242.00	
Organizations	1,000.00	
Churches	1,500.00	
Foundations	23,021.44	25,763.44
Interest Income	400.00	
Dividends on Securities	767.30	
New South Subscriptions	1,520.67	
Sale of Literature	128.12	
Associate Members' Dues	17.00	2,704.42
Total Income		$ 72,528.05

EXPENSES

Salaries	$ 17,802.83	
Consultant Fees	135.00	
Travel	2,880.55	
Telephone and Telegraph	839.12	
Office Supplies	307.53	
Postage	194.73	
Printing	1,615.03	
New South Postage	556.78	
New South Printing	961.97	
Executive Committee	455.38	
Books and Subscriptions	39.50	
Miscellaneous	261.08	
Office Equipment	49.67	
Grants-in-Aid to State Councils	7,950.00	
Rent	900.00	
Accounting	175.00	
Social Security Taxes	707.54	
Georgia Sales Tax	3.01	
Liability Insurance	37.46	
Fire Insurance	42.87	
Group Hospitalization Insurance	81.96	
Group Term Life Insurance	133.60	
Total Expenses		36,130.61
Excess of Income over Expenses		$ 36,397.44

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS - SPECIAL PROJECTS
January 1, 1960 to March 31, 1960

RESEARCH DEPARTMENT

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1960		$ 28,821.54

DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries	$ 3,785.57	
Travel and Communication	48.29	
Books and Subscriptions	299.67	
Office Supplies	108.90	
Consultants' Fees	308.75	
Consultants' Travel	165.53	
Total Disbursements		4,716.71
Balance, March 31, 1960		$ 24,104.83

CONSULTANT SERVICE PROGRAM

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1960		$ 15,653.15

DISBURSEMENTS

Consultants' Fees	$ 930.00	
Travel and Communication	1,337.93	
Total Disbursements		2,267.93
Balance, March 31, 1960		$ 13,385.22

SOUTHERN LEADERSHIP PROJECT

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1960		$ 21,133.32

DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries	$ 2,000.04	
Travel and Communication	755.46	
Office Expense	459.00	
Printing and Distribution	1,060.04	
Consultants' Fees and Travel	168.00	
Total Disbursements		4,442.54
Balance, March 31, 1960		$ 16,690.78

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS - SPECIAL PROJECTS
January 1, 1960 to March 31, 1960

CONTINGENCY FUND

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1960		$ 5,701.53

DISBURSEMENTS

Oberlin College	$ 50.00	
Mrs. M. L. Smith	122.76	
United Church Women of Georgia	37.60	
Printing	634.12	
Total Disbursements		844.48
Balance, March 31, 1960		$ 4,857.05

FELLOWSHIP OF THE CONCERNED

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1960	$ 1,149.37

DISBURSEMENTS

Travel	130.01
Balance, March 31, 1960	$ 1,019.36

VOTING SURVEY

Balance, January 1, 1960 and March 31, 1960	$ 1,902.13

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Atlanta, Georgia

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
AID TO INDEPENDENT STATE COUNCILS ON HUMAN RELATIONS
January 1, 1960 to March 31, 1960

RECEIPTS

Allocation from General Operating Funds	$ 7,950.00	
Individual Donor (received 1959 for 1960)	25,000.00	
Individual Contributions	360.00	
Total Receipts		$33,310.00

DISBURSEMENTS

Grants-in-Aid from General Operating Funds to State Councils:		
Alabama Council on Human Relations	$ 1,050.00	
Arkansas Council on Human Relations	875.00	
Florida Council on Human Relations	975.00	
Georgia Council on Human Relations	875.00	
Kentucky Council on Human Relations	375.00	
North Carolina Council on Human Relations	975.00	
South Carolina Council on Human Relations	975.00	
Tennessee Council on Human Relations	875.00	
Virginia Council on Human Relations	975.00	$ 7,950.00
Individual Donor:		
Alabama Council on Human Relations	$ 1,500.00	
North Carolina Council on Human Relations	1,500.00	
South Carolina Council on Human Relations	1,500.00	
Virginia Council on Human Relations	1,500.00	6,000.00
Individual Contributions:		
Alabama Council on Human Relations	$ 60.00	
Arkansas Council on Human Relations	300.00	360.00
Total Disbursements		$14,310.00

Total Receipts	$33,310.00
Less: Total Disbursements	14,310.00
Balance for 1960 (Individual Donor)	$19,000.00

cc: Dabbs & Wilkins

April 8, 1960

Dr. Rufus E. Clement
President
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Dr. Clement:

Enclosed, along with a routine reminder of the meeting of May 3, is a draft of a report of the Personnel Committee. Copies are being sent to Miss Wilkins and Mr. Dabbs. We will, of course, be happy to make any changes which you or the other members of the Committee feel necessary.

I have taken the liberty of making one minor change. Under item "1" of the provisions, you will note that staff members of age 50 or more are given a choice of whether or not they will participate. This has been added since our insurance agent reminds us that in the future we may hire persons who are close enough to the age of retirement that the program would be an imposition to the individual and a cost to the Council that would allow little in the way of meaningful benefits.

There is no need for you or the other members of the Committee to acknowledge the report if it is satisfactory.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

PA/mf
Enclosures

REPORT OF THE PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

At the request of the Executive Committee, the Personnel Committee met on February 26 to consider a staff retirement program. As resource persons, Mr. Fleming and Mr. Anthony were present for a portion of the meeting.

Following a review of present staff benefits, the financial condition of the Council, and the type of retirement programs available, it was the opinion of the Personnel Committee that a retirement program for the staff was feasible and desirable. We, therefore, recommend that such a program be instituted with the following provisions:

(1) That the program be submitted to the staff for their consideration and be instituted for all members of the staff if a majority accepts the plan, with the exception that present or future staff members of 50 years of age or more be given individual choice of whether or not they wish to participate;

(2) That the program be based on a total cost of 4% of the salary of each individual;

(3) That the program be contributory; the Council providing one-half the cost (or 2%) and the individual providing a like amount;

(4) That members of the staff shall be employed by the Council for one year before they become eligible for this benefit;

(5) That part-time or temporary employees shall not be eligible for participation;

(6) That the program be based on endowment type policies providing a stated amount of monthly retirement benefits with continuation, conversion, or withdrawal options for the individual upon termination of his employment with the Council;

(7) That the individual staff member shall not accept cash dividends, make loans, or otherwise take advantage of the provisions of the program as written while employed by the Council;

(8) That the Executive Assistant of the Council shall submit these requirements, as outlined above, to recognized insurance companies and shall, upon authorization from the Executive Committee, institute the program with the company offering the most desirable bid.

Dr. Rufus E. Clement, Chairman
Miss Josephine Wilkins
Mr. James M. Dabbs

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL
63 Auburn Avenue, NE
Atlanta, Georgia

MEMORANDUM April 8, 1960

To: Members of the Executive Committee

From: Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

Re: May 3 Meeting of the Committee.

Our announcement of the Executive Committee meeting of May 3 was mailed out unusually early. This, therefore, is a reminder of that meeting. At your convenience, would you please indicate on the enclosed card whether or not you will be present.

Among the items on the agenda will be: discussion of recent Internal Revenue rulings on SRC's tax exemption; consideration of the Personnel Committee's recommendations of a staff retirement program; program emphasis in light of recent developments in the region; and, the time and length of future Committee meetings.

As a postscript to Harold Fleming's memorandum of February 5, 1960, all state Councils except Florida and Tennessee have now been granted tax exemption. Furthermore, the Internal Revenue Service has assured us that we may make distribution to non-tax exempt groups so long as we assure ourselves that our funds are used for charitable and educational purposes in accordance with the Internal Revenue code. Therefore, the problem of aid to state councils is no longer critical.

April 26, 1960

Mr. Marion A. Wright
Top Knot
Linville Falls, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Wright:

A single has been reserved for you at the Piedmont for the night of May 2.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

PA/mf

April 27, 1960

Dr. Rufus E. Clement
President
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Dr. Clement:

Enclosed is a proposed agenda for the Executive Committee meeting of May 3rd, for your approval.

We will, of course, be happy to make any changes you feel necessary. Otherwise, no acknowledgment is necessary.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

PA/mf
Enclosure - 1.

PROPOSED AGENDA

Executive Committee Meeting
May 3, 1960

EXECUTIVE SESSION - Staff on Call

10:00 a.m.

Invocation

Adoption of Agenda

Report of Personnel Committee and Consideration of Staff Retirement Program

Other Business for Executive Session

GENERAL SESSION

Report of the Executive Director

Financial Reports

Income and Expenses - Mrs. Alexander
Budget Analysis - Mr. Anthony
New Grants and Fund Prospects - Mr. Fleming

Review of Internal Revenue Rulings - Mr. Fleming

Report on State Councils - Mr. Rilling

Consideration of Time and Length of Future Committee Meetings

Discussion of Program Emphasis in Light of Recent Developments

Other Business

Adjournment

NOTE: Lunch will be served at 12:30 p.m. or thereabout, at the conveniences of the Committee.

MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
Southern Regional Council
May 3, 1960

The Meeting of the Executive Committee convened at 10:00 A. M., on May 3, 1960, in the SRC Conference Room. Those present:

Rufus E. Clement, Chairman	The Rev. W. C. Brooke
James M. Dabbs	Paul Christopher
Albert W. Dent	Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton
Marion A. Wright	Rabbi Jacob Rothschild
Miss Josephine Wilkins	

All members of the professional staff were present, with Mrs. Mildred Flowers serving as secretary.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Following the Invocation, the Committee approved the proposed agenda. The Committee heard a report of the Personnel Committee, as follows:

At the request of the Executive Committee, the Personnel Committee met on February 26 to consider a staff retirement program. As resource persons, Mr. Fleming and Mr. Anthony were present for a portion of the meeting.

Following a review of present staff benefits, the financial condition of the Council, and the type of retirement programs available, it was the opinion of the Personnel Committee that a retirement program for the staff was feasible and desirable. We, therefore, recommend that such a program be instituted with the following provisions:

(1) That the program be submitted to the staff for their consideration and be instituted for all members of the staff if a majority accepts the plan, with the exception that present or future staff members of 50 years of age or more be given individual choice of whether or not they wish to participate;

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Dr. Rufus E. Clement, Chairman
Miss Josephine Wilkins
Mr. James M. Dabbs

After discussing the matter at length, the Executive Committee approved the report of the Personnel Committee and adopted a motion that a staff retirement program be initiated as outlined in the report of the Personnel Committee.

GENERAL SESSION

Report of the Executive Director

The Director discussed the student protest movement and the ways in which this region-wide movement had affected the work of the Council.

The Research Department issued a Special Report on the student protests shortly after they began and at a time when analysis and interpretation was badly needed. The initial Report and the subsequent releases played a major role in the interpretation given the sit-ins by the press and in the reactions of other organizations and individuals in the South and elsewhere. In Florida the Report has been used extensively by the Governor's office and is being distributed to the bi-racial committees being formed in the state at the request of the Governor.

The Southern Leadership Project, under the direction of Benjamin Muse, has carried on extensive work in Florida, North Carolina and Tennessee.

Two consultants were provided in Raleigh, N. C., at the request of the Mayor. In Nashville, similar services were provided. Both cities now have bi-racial committees engaged in seeking satisfactory solutions to the problems arising from the student protests.

The Director expressed appreciation to Mr. Dabbs and Mr. Wright for their numerous appearances on behalf of SRC, and particularly commended them for their recent appearances on national television programs.

The Director informed the Committee that the Council's production of research and fact-finding materials is at an all time high. Perhaps at no time in the Council's history has so much significant material been produced and distributed. One of the most notable of these efforts is the pamphlet "The South and the Nation," reprint of a speech given by Governor Collins of Florida and the first in a series entitled "Toward Regional Realism."

The Director also reported on the ways in which the Council continues to work with the Commission on Civil Rights, the Justice Department, and other Federal agencies.

During the discussion which followed, Dr. Clement suggested that SRC reprint an article by Mrs. Eliza Paschall, "The Southern Point of View," which appeared in the May issue of the Atlantic Monthly. The staff was asked to investigate the possibilities of this.

The Committee also asked the staff to look into the possibilities of having the Council, in the future, give suitable recognition and promotion to National Law Day.

Financial Reports

Mrs. Alexander presented a financial report on income and expenses for the first three months of the year. (see attached)

Mr. Anthony presented a budget analysis which revealed that the Council, in terms of total expenditures, has operated within its budget during the first quarter. While there yet remains the need for additional funds, the Council's major problem continues to be one of cash-on-hand. The Council's position with the securities held, particularly a majority of its common stock holdings, makes it necessary that securities not be sold if at all possible. Mr. Anthony estimated that it would be September or later before the need for cash would require a decision of the Finance Committee on this matter.

Mr. Fleming reported the following new grants: New World Foundation, $20,000; William C. Whitney, $5,000; Prynce Hopkins Fund, $1,000; Field Foundation, $25,000 for special aid to state councils through April 1961 (this amount is in addition to the Field Foundation's support of $25,000 a year for three years to the Council's general budget.) Requests have been made to the New York Foundation and the Aaron E. Norman Fund. Requests to labor organizations are pending.

The Director pointed out that securing aid for the Council's general operation continues to be a major problem. He indicated that this situation could be helped considerably if it were possible for the Council to make all future grants-in-aid to state councils from special funds received for that purpose rather than allocating grants from general operating funds. He recommended that the staff present a proposal to the September meeting of the Executive Committee which would allow that a portion of new funds received for aid to state councils be used during 1961 toward meeting whatever commitments the Council assumed in aid to state councils. Mr. Fleming's recommendation was approved by the Committee.

Review of Internal Revenue Rulings

The Director reported that correspondence with the Internal Revenue Service had cleared up the doubts which had existed about the possible dangers involved in the Council's grants to state councils on human relations; without further responsibility of endangering SRC's tax-exempt status, grants-in-aid may be made to any organization having tax-exemption. Grants may also be made to any organization not having tax-exemption so long as the funds granted are used only for educational purposes as defined by the Internal Revenue Service and so long as the Council makes a reasonable effort to determine that this requirement is met.

It was reported, however, that the Internal Revenue Service raised some question as to the SRC Charter: In part the IRS letter stated:

> Your articles of incorporation list certain purposes which appear to be neither charitable nor educational as those terms are used.... However, since you have previously been determined to be exempt under Section 501(c) (3) and that exemption was not revoked prior to July 27, 1959, amendment of your articles of incorporation to bring them into complete compliance with the 'organizational test' set forth in the regulations will be required only if you seek a new determination of exemption.

On the other hand, you will be expected in the future to conform your operations strictly with the 'operational test' set forth in the regulations....

The Director pointed out that this ruling clearly indicates that the final determination of SRC program and policy is, therefore, the IRS "operational test" rather than the SRC Charter. He raised with the Committee the question of whether or not the full Council would want to take official notice of this condition. It was the opinion of the Committee, and a motion was so made and unanimously adopted that the Counsel, Mr. Haas, be asked to prepare a resolution that would take notice of the inadequacy of the SRC Charter in view of the Internal Revenue Service rulings, and the fact that SRC will henceforth be guided by the standards set forth in the IRS regulations.

It was further recommended that once such a document has been approved by the full Council, copies should be sent to the IRS and to state councils on human relations for their information and guidance.

Report on State Councils on Human Relations

Mr. Rilling submitted a schedule of "Financial Information on State Groups," supplemented by remarks regarding each. He informed the Committee that the Florida Council had met SRC's conditions and recommended that the Florida Council's conditional status be removed.

A motion was made and unanimously approved and adopted that the Florida Council on Human Relations be removed from its conditional status; that $1,500 be made available to the Florida Council immediately upon receipt of a satisfactory audit; that an additional $1,500 be made available to match all funds raised in excess of $3,000 by September 30, 1960.

Time and Length of Future Meetings

It was reported that the following concerns have been expressed by members of the Committee: (1) that meetings have been too occupied with administrative and financial affairs; (2) that meetings have not been of such length as to make adequate discussion of program possible; (3) that the timing of the meetings is not convenient in terms of the travel schedules of the Members.

After discussion, the following action was taken by the Committee: (1) requested that financial data be mailed

to members in advance of each meeting; (2) set the time for future meetings to begin at 10:00 a.m., ending at 3:00 p.m.; (3) requested that the report of the Executive Director and the discussion of program by the Committee appear at the beginning of the agenda.

Tuesday, September 27 was selected as the date of the next Executive Committee meeting.

A discussion of program emphasis followed, after which the meeting adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

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May 17, 1960

Mr. John H. Wheeler
President
Mechanics and Farmers Bank
Durham, North Carolina

Dear John:

We were very sorry that understandable conflicts prevented your being with us at the last Executive Committee meeting. It was an interesting and satisfying meeting, I believe, for everyone concerned.

You will be receiving in due course the minutes of the meeting, and we would welcome your advice and suggestions on any of the matters dealt with.

I hope I will see you again before long. Meanwhile, kindest regards.

Sincerely,

Harold C. Fleming
Executive Director

HCF/mf

Mechanics and Farmers Bank
Durham, North Carolina

JOHN H. WHEELER
PRESIDENT

April 29, 1960

Mr. Harold Fleming, Executive Director
Southern Regional Council
63 Auburn Avenue, Northeast
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Fleming:

Several weeks ago I indicated that it would be possible for me to attend the Executive Committee meeting which is to be held on May 5.

It appears now that I shall not be able to be present at this meeting because I shall be attending the General Conference of the A. M. E. Church which begins Monday, May 2 in Los Angeles.

I regret sincerely that there is a conflict between the two meetings but wish to assure you that I did not know of my obligation to attend the Conference until several days ago.

Sincerely yours,

J. H. Wheeler
President

JHW/p

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HAROLD C. FLEMING
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

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MEMORANDUM May 24, 1960

To: Members of the Executive Committee

From: Paul Anthony
Executive Assistant

Re: DATE OF NEXT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Enclosed are the minutes of the last Executive Committee meeting. Please note that the Committee has selected Tuesday, September 27th as the date for the next meeting.

You will receive another reminder about one month before the meeting. Prior to the meeting, you will also receive financial reports and information on any other administrative matters which can be handled or considered ahead of time.

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MEMORANDUM September 19, 1960

To: Executive Committee Members

From: Harold C. Fleming
Executive Director

Re: Background for Meeting of September 27: Program Activities Since Last Meeting.

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You will recall the decision at the last Executive Committee meeting that as much background material as possible should be sent to members in advance. Mrs. Alexander and Mr. Anthony will send you shortly the financial reports that are ordinarily presented at the meeting. This memorandum is to give you -- in rather rough and staccato form -- the highlights of program activities since our May meeting.

Appended to these comments of mine are itemized lists of noteworthy activities prepared by the various professional staff members responsible. We will be prepared to explain or amplify any of these brief notations in the course of program discussion by the Committee. A report of this kind can only serve as a sort of index to recent and current activities.

By way of preface, the summer brought no relaxation of working tempo for SRC. If anything, program demands accelerated. And it looks as though the Fall months will find us on an even faster track.

As you may have observed, our releases and reports have been getting an exceptionally good press. SRC stories were on the front page of the New York Times twice since the last meeting, making a total of three for the year. In every case, our clipping service has revealed wide use of the stories, as circulated by the wire services, in Southern as well as non-Southern newspapers. We have

also been heavily consulted by the television networks, news magazines, and national feature writers of various kinds.

Our relations with Federal civil rights agencies -- most notably the Commission on Civil Rights and the Department of Justice -- have been frequent and often fruitful. It is a reasonable hope that, after next January, SRC will have many opportunities to advise the new national administration in influential and useful ways.

In the interest of space, I have omitted the speech-making andconferences attended by me and one or two others, such as Paul Anthony. These have been more numerous than usual.

The staff has been inordinately helped in meeting the many demands for speakers before important audiences by our indefatigable President, Mr. Dabbs, and Vice-President, Mr. Wright, and occasionally by other board members. Undeterred by a serious accident and long-term hospitalization, Vice-President Josephine Wilkins has been doing yeoman's work in New York, interesting potential sources of new funds in SRC.

Our opportunities to counsel an infinite variety of visitors to the office -- intergroup relations workers, writers, scholars, foundation people, foreign visitors, government officials, etc. -- are limited only by available staff and time.

Amid this spate of activities, the staff has tried to apply coherent standards of policy and strategy, to keep a sense of priorities, to evaluate program emphases in the light of the constantly changing circumstances in the South. These broad questions of interpretation we must leave for discussion at the meeting -- and similarly with questions of fund-raising and purely organizational matters.

Southern Leadership Project

Since a recent overseas trip by the project director, Mr. Muse, made it impracticable to solicit a report from him, I will attempt a brief summary of the project's activities during the summer.

Most of Mr. Muse's consultations with community leaders since last May have centered on the lunch-counter situation. Among the cities where he counselled with city officials, businessmen, editors, and other local leaders were: Knoxville, Winston-Salem, Charlotte, Raleigh, Richmond, and Lynchburg. (He made field visits to other affected cities prior to the May meeting.) In several instances, the same community was visited more than once, thus giving continuity to his persuasive efforts.

Mr. Muse also established working relationship with a surprisingly enlightened and dynamic "power structure" group in Laurinburg, N. C. These business and civic leaders have shown an eager interest in the materials and advice that SRC offers.

It should also be noted that Mr. Muse has contracted with the Indiana University Press for publication of his recently completed book on the rise and collapse of "massive resistance" in Virginia.

Effective July 1, Mr. J. J. Brewbaker, retiring superintendent of the Norfolk public schools, began his association with the Leadership Project as part-time educational consultant. He brings to this position valuable assets. He is an able school man widely and favorably known throughout Southern educational circles. And he is experienced in both the calamitous effects of school closing and the start of successful desegregation.

Under Mr. Muse's direction, Mr. Brewbaker planned and carried out an impressive series of consultative visits to Southern cities where the school desegregation issue was under consideration. In each case, he went at the eager invitation of the local school superintendents; in some he met with other local leaders, addressed public meetings, and was interviewed by the press and television stations.

The most notable of Mr. Brewbaker's field visits was that to New Orleans and Baton Rouge, La., where the question of closed schools vs. integration is hotly contested. There, his counsel was warmly welcomed in off-the-record conferences with the school authorities. His public appearance, before the Committee for Public Education, was extensively and favorably treated by the press. The Baton Rouge experience was similarly rewarding.

The other cities where Mr. Brewbaker made consultative visits during the summer included: Knoxville and Chattanooga, Tenn.; Richmond, Roanoke, Martinsville, Pulaski County, Prince Edward County, Va.; Asheville, Charlotte, Chapel Hill, Durham, Raleigh, Winston-Salem, High Point, Greensboro, N. C.; Atlanta, Ga.; Tampa, Panama City, Fla.; Houston, Dallas, Tex.; Greenville, Spartanburg, S. C. At the annual conference of the Associated Public School Systems, Mr. Brewbaker had opportunities to talk with school superintendents of additional Southern communities. And, in order to arm himself with the facts of Washington, D. C., school desegregation, he visited Dr. Carl Hansen, superintendent of the District school system.

Following are brief reports of other principal staff members:

LESLIE W. DUNBAR, DIRECTOR OF RESEARCH

Publications Since May 1960:

1. Spearman & Meyer, Racial Crisis and the Press

2. Desegregation: the First Six Years

3. Tarplee, The Church in Areas of Racial Tension

4. "BiRacial Conventions Pose Added Problems for South," New South, September 1960.

5. Moreland, Lunch Counter Desegregation in Corpus Christi, Galveston, and San Antonio, Texas.

6. Price, Toward a Solution of the Sit-In Controversy

7. A Report on School Desegregation for 1960-61

8. L-18, Negro Buying Power

9. Dean B. R. Brazeal's several county voting studies, including the McCormick County report (April, 1960) were assembled together with a summary written in June by Dean Brazeal

10. Campbell's sermon, A Man Had Two Sons, was mimeographed for selected distribution

Publications Supported Financially

1. Patrick, Lunch Counter Desegregation in Winston-Salem, N.C.

2. Westfeldt, Settling a Sit-In

Studies in Progress

1. George McMillan - law enforcement as a basic issue of race relations (manuscript expected early September)

2. Elmer Johnson - Negro crime (first draft in)

3. Comparative analysis of Negro and white public schools in Georgia -- commissioned by Georgia Conference on Education Opportunities (research completed; to the printers by Sept. 15)

4. Robert Steamer - survey of federal rulings in school desegregation cases (manuscript in)

5. Adolph Reed - voting studies of Bossier and Webster Parishes, La.

6. William Howell - voting study of Orangeburg County, S.C.

7. Mary Ellen Goodman - Virginia's private schools

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Service

Rather large assignments have been undertaken for Governmental Affairs Institute (voting), Florida Governor's Commission (everything), Commission on Civil Rights (law enforcement), Helen Hill Miller (economics), George McMillan (sit-ins), Emory Via (Georgia county unit system), Hearst editorial syndicate (sit-ins).

Outside Engagements

1. Lecture - Southern Labor School, Mobile, July

2. Consultation - Race Relations Progress Study, Texas Council of Churches, Austin, July

3. Paper - Society for the Study of Social Problems, New York, August

4. Lecture - sociology class, Oglethorpe University, July

5. Lecture and Discussion - Episcopal bishops, Washington, May

Staff Activities

Elizabeth Waters attended Fisk Institute on Race Relations

Montez Albright has worked with school committee of Greater Atlanta Council on Human Relations

Marge Manderson did research for convention survey; writes Highlights for New South; has re-surveyed and will maintain on current basis sit-in record.

Pamela Coe, during her temporary employment, did research and writing for Georgia education study.

Rozelle Douglas, during her temporary employment, pruned and catalogued anew our pamphlet library.

JOHN CONSTABLE, DIRECTOR OF INFORMATION

New South Highlights

May - School Desegregation: the First Six Years -- Special issue.

June - Tilman Cothran's "The South's Potential and Responsibility"

July-August - Dr. Frank Graham's "Students 'Standing Up' for the American Dream"

September - Research Department's report on "Biracial Convention Facilities in the South" and further report on lunch-counter desegregation

News Releases

"Toward a Solution of the Sit-In Controversy" - used widely in news stories and editorials

"Racial Crisis and the Press"

"A Report on School Desegregation for 1960-61"
"Additional Lunch-Counter Desegregation"
Both of the last two have been used widely in press and editorials.

Special Aid to Conferences and Groups with Materials

National Student Association Congress

National Fellowship of Temple Youth

New Orleans Save Our Schools and Committee on Public Education

Distribution of Items Aside from Council's Regular Materials

"A Southern Point of View," by Eliza Paschall, reprinted from Atlantic Monthly.

"A Southern View of the South," by Harold Fleming, reprinted from the New York Times Magazine

"Settling a Sit-in," by Wallace Westfeldt (a report on Nashville in pamphlet form)

"Lunch-Counter Desegregation in Winston-Salem, N.C.," by Clarence H. Patrick

"Dime Store Demonstrations: Events and Legal Problems," by Dan Pollitt, reprinted from Duke Law Review

"Private Business and Public Education in The South," by Helen Hill Miller, reprinted from Harvard Business Review

"The Tragic Fellowship of Southerners," by James M. Dabbs, printed by Arkansas Council on Human Relations.

Speeches

To Friends work camp at Penn Community Services along with community people -- on SRC and race relations in general.

Special Activity

Active as observer with Committee on Appeal for Human Rights (Atlanta group) and Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee (regional group).

Special work with Atlanta press. Both papers now have reporters assigned to cover race relations news.

PAUL RILLING, FIELD DIRECTOR

New Orleans Effort. At the request of the Stern Family Fund in New Orleans and with expenses financed by the Stern Fund, the field director arranged to spend a considerable amount of time in New Orleans counseling with two citizens committees there, working to forestall school closure this fall. To date, the field director has spent a total of some twelve days in New Orleans in the course of four separate visits. We have assisted with the preparation of materials, in strategy planning, and have channeled to these groups a number of the materials which have proven useful in similar situations in past years.

Noteworthy State Council Developments

1. Fund-raising. State fund-raising, spurred by the special matching grant, is running considerably ahead of last year. During 1959 the state councils raised a total of $33,324 from local sources. During the first six months of 1960 these groups have already raised a total of $32,400. Five state councils raised more money during the first two quarters of this year than they raised during all of 1959.

2. State Council activities in relation to the sit-ins.

a. The race relations discussion group in Williamsburg, Virginia was directly involved in contacts with business men leading to the desegregation of local drug stores, Woolworth, and Howard Johnson's in Williamsburg.

b. The Richmond Area Council on Human Relations in Virginia called on the cities of Richmond and Petersburg to appoint bi-racial negotiating committees. Such a committee has been appointed by the City Council of Richmond.

c. Human relations councils in Northern Virginia were closely involved in the successful desegregation of lunch counters in that area of Virginia. The groups issued public statements and letters and directly negotiated with drug and department store managers.

d. The North Carolina Council on Human Relations issued a series of bulletins and reports on the student protest movement in that state through the month of May. The Council also presented a report on the matter to the North Carolina Advisory Committee to the U. S. Commission on Civil Rights.

e. The executive committee of the North Carolina Council sent letters to all store managers affected by the sit-in efforts. The director of the NCCHR worked closely with the chairman of the Mayor's committee in Charlotte, a long-time member of the Council.

f. In Nashville, Tennessee, the Nashville Community Relations Conference published several analyses of the sit-in incidents at strategic times and sponsored a workshop on related problems. The local group made the original request to the Mayor for the appointment of a negotiating committee. Dr. James Glasse, president of the Tennessee Council, was involved as an advisor to the Negro negotiating committee and was one of the Vanderbilt professors who originally resigned in protest against the expulsion of James Lawson from the Divinity School.

3. Tax-exempt status. The lack of tax-exemption by most state councils was a serious problem last fall. All but one of the cooperating groups now have tax-exempt status. The Florida Council has an application pending and is the one exception to the above statement.

4. The Bob Hughes situation, current. The Rev. Robert Hughes, director of the Alabama Council on Human Relations, spent Labor Day weekend in the Jefferson County jail on a contempt of court citation growing out of Hughes's refusal to produce the records of the Council and answer certain questions before the County Grand Jury. The Grand Jury was inquiring into information that had been given to Harrison Salisbury of the New York Times for his recent articles on racial tensions in Birmingham. Competent counsel was secured for Hughes and legal activity was carried forward in the state Supreme Court, in local courts, and a hearing was requested in the United States Supreme Court. On the day after Labor Day the Grand Jury issued a second subpoena which did not require Bob to produce his records. Bob

appeared before the Grand Jury and answered some questions to their satisfaction. That same weekend, the North Alabama Conference of the Methodist Church "involuntarily located" Bob, in effect stripping him of his regular ministerial status. A day later, this action was followed by a reinstatement of Bob's membership in the Conference for the purpose of permitting him to transfer to the jurisdiction of the Bishop of Southern Rhodesia. The circumstances surrounding the action of the North Alabama Conference are not necessarily related to Bob's brush with the Jefferson County Grand Jury. The Alabama Council now owes legal fees of around $7,000.

5. In Richmond, Virginia, an intercollegiate youth council has been organized under the sponsorship of the Virginia Council.

6. The Kentucky Council on Human Relations cooperated with the University of Louisville in the sponsorship of a two-week workshop on human relations for the teachers of social science core subjects in the integrated junior high schools of Louisville. Paul Anthony of the Council took part in these discussions.

7. The Arkansas Council on Human Relations cooperated this summer in an effort to explain to parents of Negro children the Arkansas Pupil Placement Law and the procedures necessary to apply for transfer to other schools. John Walker, associate director of the ACHR, was in charge of this effort which was partly responsible for a considerable increase in the number of applications for transfers by Negro students.

8. The Arkansas Council established a biracial discussion group at Pine Bluff, Arkansas. This group is now one of the few sources of strength for community stability as Pine Bluff moves towards desegregation this month.

Consultant Service Program

1. John Hope, chief consultant, was heavily involved as a consultant in the Nashville situation throughout the summer. He held a number of planning meetings with white and Negro groups and with public officials.

2. In June, three consultants went to Oklahoma City at the request of the Governor's Commission on Human Relations of Oklahoma. These consultants advised on the techniques of negotiating restaurant desegregation. As a result of this consultation, a Mayor's committee was appointed in Oklahoma City.

3. The CSP provided funds for several consultants to participate in a series of four ministers' workshops sponsored by the Virginia Council on Human Relations in various parts of the state of Virginia during May.

4. On April 22, 23, the CSP provided consultants for a two-day community conference on employment opportunity at Fisk University in Nashville. 75 persons participated, representing a good cross-section of the Negro community. Consultants were Dr. Henry David, executive director of the National Manpower Commission of Columbia University and Dr. V. W. Henderson, chairman of the Economics Department of Fisk University.

5. On April 25, 26, the CSP conducted a consultation with college administrators of predominantly Negro institutions of higher learning in South Carolina. The meeting brought together presidents, deans, and guidance personnel from five colleges and two junior colleges. The purpose of the consultation was to consider the curriculum needed to prepare Negro students for emerging opportunities. Dr. Horace Mann Bond of the school of education of Atlanta University and John Hope participated.

Other Activities

1. A four-day visit to the state of Mississippi during May for the purpose of renewing contacts with friends of the Council in that area and to explore possibilities of further action.

2. Speech to the student body of Talladega College on the anniversary of the Supreme Court decision on May 17.

3. Chairmanship of an interagency consultation on human relations programming in South Carolina, sponsored by the Penn Community Center. Chaired consultations in May and in August in relations to this effort.

4. In July, participated in the annual Labor School of the Kentucky State AFL-CIO, delivering a lecture on the state of race and community relations in the South.

5. Spoke on the status and future of public school desegregation in the South at a public meeting in Williamsburg, Va., sponsored by the local race relations discussion group.

6. In August, participated in the National Student Association Summer Seminar in Minnesota. Delivered several talks to that student group.

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MRS. M. E. TILLY, DIRECTOR OF WOMEN'S WORK

This has been a year of national, state and local meetings, of teaching and hospital experiences. We have also been planning for weeks and months for the Workshop of the Fellowship of the Concerned to be held here November 15 - 16.

National Conferences Attended

February 17 - 19. National Organization of Women for Equality of Education (19 national groups) met in Washington, and out of it came a united appeal to the White House Conference on Children and Youth to give full support and direction to carrying out the Supreme Court Decision on integrated schools. I was one of the sponsors of the Conference and presided at one session.

In April came the meetings of the Board of Directors of the Civil Liberties Union in Chicago and the Board of Directors of the United Church Women in Minneapolis, Minnesota. The Southeastern Jurisdiction of the Methodist Church, Lake Junaluska, North Carolina.

September 5. I was the speaker at the 50th Anniversary of the National Urban League in New York.

September 13 - 15. Attended a brief Conference on Social Concerns, The Methodist Church.

State Meetings

Montgomery, Alabama - The Fellowship of the Concerned

The United Church Women of Georgia

North Georgia Conference Board Meetings

H.O.P.E. and Georgia Council on Human Relations

Teaching Activities

Integrated School of Missions, Berea, Kentucky

Central Jurisdiction, Methodist women

Christian Methodist Episcopal School

MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
Southern Regional Council
September 27, 1960

The Executive Committee convened at 10:00 a.m., September 27, 1960, in the Southern Regional Council conference room, 5 Forsyth Street, with Mr. J. M. Dabbs presiding in the absence of the chairman, Dr. Clement.

Those present: Mr. Marion A. Wright, the Rev. W. C. Brooke, Mr. Paul Christopher, Dr. John A. Griffin, the Rev. Duncan Hunter, Rabbi Jacob Rothschild, Father Alexander O. Sigur, Mr. John H. Wheeler, Mr. Joseph Haas, and Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton.

All members of the professional staff were present, with Mrs. Mildred Flowers serving as secretary.

Invocation by Rabbi Jacob Rothschild.

GENERAL SESSION

The agenda for the meeting was adopted, after which comments were made by the Executive Director on the program report mailed to members in advance.

Discussion of Program

The question was raised as to whether SRC services the Southern state advisory committees of the Commission on Civil Rights. It was reported that many of SRC's materials are sent to these committees and that they frequently request the Council's services and information. It was suggested that factual information furnished by SRC to any one state advisory committee might be made available to all the committees in the region.

The staff was instructed to look into ways of providing each advisory committee in the South with the materials and information requested by or supplied to any state committee.

The Committee was brought up to date on the case of the Rev. Robert Hughes, Executive Director of the Alabama Council on Human Relations, who was subpoenaed before the Grand Jury to answer questions relative to the part played by him in connection with a series of articles on Birmingham written by Harrison Salisbury of the New York Times. Mr. Hughes was jailed for several days - until the charges were dropped - for his refusal to answer questions concerning the membership and financial support of the Alabama Council; questions which he did not consider pertinent to the inquiry being made.

The question arose as to what aid SRC was providing to assist the Alabama Council in paying the considerable legal fees assumed by that group. The Executive Director reported that the staff is concerned about this situation, has informed some appropriate individuals and agencies of the needs of the Alabama Council, and is hopeful that some support from these sources will be forthcoming. The Director further stated that while SRC has a moral obligation to the state councils in such situations there is no binding commitment to assist in such matters after they have been completed; SRC cannot officially assume obligations for the actions of independent agencies where there is no control over the legal action, the attorneys, or the fees involved. Further, the serious question is raised of the use of tax-exempt funds by SRC in making grants for the purpose of paying legal fees. The Executive Committee agreed with this position and requested that the staff check the minutes of past meetings to determine what actions and/or policies had been established in the past in similar matters.

The Executive Committee further expressed the hope that SRC would do anything possible to assist the Alabama Council and asked that the staff express to Mr. Hughes their appreciation for the contribution he has made to the cause of human relations in Alabama and their admiration for the way in which he and the Alabama Council had met this crisis.

Mr. Haas suggested that SRC develop a project to reach presidents of state and local bar associations in an effort to alert them to their responsibilities in unpopular legal matters, and to point out to them the dangers involved when attorneys and bar associations abdicate such responsibilities.

The following motion was adopted and unanimously approved: That a special committee be set up, composed of the attorneys who are members of the Southern Regional Council, to work on establishing communication with state and local bar association presidents in an effort to remind them of their professional responsibilities in unpopular causes.

Change of Date of Annual Meeting

The Executive Director reported that Mr. Herbert Davidson had questioned the date of November 9th (as established in the By-Laws) as being the best time for the Annual Meeting. Mr. Davidson expressed the feeling that since Election Day is November 8th, it would be difficult if not impossible for many members to be in Atlanta on the 9th. The Committee instructed the staff to poll the Membership to determine whether they preferred November 9th or November 10th for the Annual Meeting and to notify the Members as soon as possible of the date decided upon.

Invitation of Guests to Annual Meeting

The Committee discussed the matter of inviting guests to the Annual Meeting. A motion was adopted and unanimously approved: That the Executive Director be authorized and requested to invite to the Annual Meeting Dr. Gordon B. Hancock, Mr. Leonard Haas, and any other guests that he felt appropriate; this to be done on approval of the President.

Arrangements for Annual Meeting

Mr. Anthony reported that the meeting would be held in the Dining Room of Bumstead Hall, Atlanta University. On the evening before the meeting a buffet supper and open house will be held at the SRC offices so that Members can see the new quarters. These arrangements met with the approval of the Executive Committee.

Proposed Budgets for 1961

The proposed budgets for 1961, as mailed to the Committee in advance, were approved for submission to the full Council at the Annual Meeting.

Report on Fund-Raising

The Executive Director reported on current fund-raising efforts. The most important of these is the work being done in New York by Miss Josephine Wilkins. The Committee was informed of a buffet supper, arranged by Miss Wilkins and held on September 20th, in the home of Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt. The Council's President and Executive Director were present and had an opportunity to discuss the work of the Council with influential persons from whom new support may be forthcoming.

Miss Wilkins has also cultivated a number of foundations which have not assisted SRC in the past. To these potential new sources of funds, she is suggesting that the Council needs from new sources a total of $100,000 per year for five years. Thus far this effort looks encouraging. The Director had an opportunity to call on some of these foundations while in New York for the Roosevelt supper and these contacts will be followed by formal requests.

The Committee was informed of Miss Wilkin's serious accident in which she was struck by a taxicab. She was highly commended for her efforts on behalf of the Council; particularly her efforts while hospitalized. The following

telegram was sent to Miss Wilkins:

"The Executive Committee salutes you with gratitude and affection. May our next meeting find you with us, as hale, hearty, and devoted as ever. J. M. Dabbs"

A report was made on an appeal for funds from Labor being directed by Mr. E. T. Kehrer. Approximately 150 letters were sent to labor organizations over Mr. Kehrer's signature setting forth the needs of the Council. Returns from these letters have yielded only part of the expected results. Follow-up letters are to be sent in the near future.

The Executive Director spoke of his forthcoming trip to California, at which time he hopes to develop new sources of support.

Resolution on Tax Exemption

During the year the Council has had correspondence with the Internal Revenue Service on several matters of policy. In the course of this correspondence the IRS pointed out weaknesses in the SRC Charter. While these weaknesses do not jeopardize SRC's tax-exemption, they do have implications for the conduct of SRC affairs.

At the request of the Executive Committee Mr. Haas prepared the attached document, a resolution setting forth the Council's awareness of the inadequacy of the charter and establishing the policy that, where in doubt or question, the Southern Regional Council is to be guided by the standards set forth in the Internal Revenue Service regulations. This resolution and the attached document were unanimously approved and adopted by the Executive Committee.

Proposed Grants-in-Aid to State Councils

Mr. Rilling presented the schedule of proposed grants-in-aid to state councils for 1961. The Executive Committee unanimously approved and adopted this schedule for submission to the Annual Meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Executive Director was asked to remind staff members that, whenever possible, they should notify board members in advance when they are to be in the members' area, and should make an effort to see or talk with such members.

It was voted that the Executive Committee shall next consider personnel matters at the January 1961 meeting; the Personnel Committee is asked to report at that meeting, and to accompany its report with job descriptions, salary schedule, and any other relevant information.

The Executive Director was instructed to write the Trustees of the Wesley Memorial Building expressing the Council's appreciation for the many years of friendly association and kindness the Council enjoyed in those quarters.

It was suggested that, in future cases of legal attack upon SRC or State Councils, the advice of the NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund might fruitfully be sought. Such consultation need not be formal or publicized, but could be informally carried out through NAACP's local associated counsel.

It was reported that the Executive Director had been officially selected by the U. S. - South Africa Leader Exchange Program to visit the Union of South Africa in 1961 or 1962. The Committee discussed the possible value to the Council of the Director's participation in this program. It was voted that, should the Director decide to accept and should other circumstances make the visit possible, the Director's participation in the program would have the Executive Committee's approval. It was further voted that Mr. Frank Loescher, director of the exchange program, might be advised of this policy decision.

GENERAL SESSION

The discussion of program and activities begun in the morning, continued during the afternoon session. Several matters which had come before the Committee at earlier meetings were reviewed. Among them were:

(1) The SRC program with college students. The Executive Director stated that the Council had no special staff or programs aimed at this group. However, the Council has been instrumental in assisting all of the organizations working with students in the region including, The National Student Association, the Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee, and the YMCA and YWCA groups. Other functions, such as providing materials, speakers, and consultants on request, continue.

It was the opinion of the Executive Committee that this program should be reviewed and that the SRC should give all possible assistance to students, student movements, and college administrators.

(2) Work with labor. It was suggested by the Executive Committee that all reasonable effort should be made to maintain contact with organized labor and that this group be assisted in all appropriate areas by the Council.

(3) International Institute. The proposed plan of holding an international institute - jointly sponsored by SRC and Atlanta University - was reviewed. The Executive Director reported that efforts to interest a foundation in this project were not successful. From the Committee, skeptism was expressed as to the usefulness of having such a conference on a Negro college campus. Some concern was also expressed over the cost of such a project; one member estimated a cost of $100,000 to $200,000 to carry out the project properly.

The Committee decided that the SRC staff, with the approval of Dr. Clement, should approach the University of North Carolina, Florida State University, and Vanderbilt to see if any of these institutions might be interested in holding such an institute. The Committee agreed it was important that such an institute be held if at all possible, but of little importance that SRC be publicly identified with the project.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

PROPOSED AGENDA

Meeting of the Executive Committee
Southern Regional Council
Atlanta, Georgia

SEPTEMBER 27, 1960

10:00 AM **GENERAL SESSION**

Invocation

Adoption of Agenda

Comments by the Executive Director on Program Report

Discussion of Program by the Executive Committee

11:00 AM

Decisions for Annual Meeting:

1. Change of Date, Proposed by Mr. Herbert Davidson
2. Invitation of Guests
3. Proposed Meeting Place and Schedule

Proposed 1961 Budgets (mailed in advance)
Mr. Anthony

Report on Fund-Raising
Mr. Fleming

Resolution of Charter and Tax-Exemption
Mr. Haas

Proposed Grants-in-Aid to State Councils
Mr. Rilling

Other Business

12:30 PM LUNCH

1:30 PM **EXECUTIVE SESSION**
(Staff on call)

3:00 PM **ADJOURNMENT**

NEWS RELEASE
Southern Regional Council
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FOR RELEASE:

Sunday, August 7, 1960

Twenty-seven Southern cities and counties have opened lunch counters to all customers in recent months, according to the records of the Southern Regional Council. This total represents an increase of 18 since June 6, when the Council last reported on desegregation of eating facilities.

The 27 places are Miami, Fla.; Chapel Hill, Charlotte, Concord, Durham, Elizabeth City, Greensboro, High Point, Salisbury, and Winston-Salem, N. C.; Frankfort, Ky.; Knoxville and Nashville, Tenn.; Austin, Corpus Christi, Dallas, Galveston, and San Antonio, Tex.; Alexandria, Arlington County, Fairfax County, Falls Church, Fredericksburg, Hampton, Norfolk, Portsmouth, and Williamsburg, Va.

Desegregation has also taken place in at least four drug stores in a predominantly Negro section of Richmond; in one drug store near the Virginia State College campus in Petersburg, Va.; and in one store in Houston, Tex.

No incident has been reported in any of the places where desegregation has occurred, and no store has reported a loss in business from white patrons.

Similar changes have occurred in such non-South cities as Xenia, Ohio; Las Vegas, Nev.; Baltimore, Md.; Kansas City, Mo.; and Oklahoma City, Okla. Each of these cities has experienced some additional desegregation of eating facilities since the student movement began on February 1, 1960.

Reacting to student pressure and "selective buying" campaigns by Negro communities, merchants in the 27 cities have desegregated facilities usually with a minimum of publicity. Negroes have generally cooperated by first patronizing the newly opened facilities singly or in small groups.

As in earlier cases, much of the recent desegregation was facilitated by interracial committees working with merchants, city officials, and representatives of the Negro Community.

One notable instance of desegregation during the period was that of Greensboro, N.C., where the current wave of sit-ins began in February of this year. North Carolina also led the way in the total number of cities opening lunch-counter facilities.

Virginia, however, follows closely with eight localities. Most of these desegregated at about the same time--late in June--with the largest number in Northern Virginia. In Arlington, the first desegregation by a

well-known chain of restaurants occurred. Five branches of the Hot Shoppes, a chain of medium-priced eating places, desegregated following the move by drug and variety stores.

Sporadic sit-ins have continued in other localities which have failed to desegregate, as a skeleton crew of students manned the campaign during the summer.

In Atlanta, several attempted sit-ins resulted August 3 in suits filed in Federal District Court seeking an injunction against cafeterias in the State Capitol, the Atlanta City Hall, and the Fulton County Courthouse.

The following points seem to the Southern Regional Council noteworthy:

1. The lunch-counter desegregation reported took place within only six months after the beginning of the student protest movement. This shows that, given effective leadership, Southern communities can eliminate racial discrimination speedily, without long periods of litigation, uncertainty, and accumulating tension.

2. The changes to date have resulted in no incidents or disorder, and none of the merchants affected has reported any loss of business as a consequence. On the contrary, in the cities surveyed by SRC, many merchants have expressed relief that the step has been taken, and pleasure in its success.

3. These 27 cities provide impressive evidence that the fears inhibiting lunch-counter desegregation elsewhere are largely illusory. Where public officials, business men, and other community leaders unite behind the change, there is every reason to predict orderly and successful desegregation.

4. The majority of these changes have occurred since the student bodies of the Negro colleges dispersed for the summer recess. Contrary to the expectations of many, student protests and "selective buying" campaigns have continued, with demonstrated effectiveness. This is convincing testimony to the seriousness and persistence of the protest movement, among both students and adults in the Negro community. It also suggests that protest activity will be renewed on a much larger scale when the students return to the college campuses in the fall.

Encouraged by the success of their efforts thus far, Negro Southerners can be expected to increase their economic and moral pressures for equal treatment by business and government. As the Southern Regional Council has said many times before, the amount of good will and fair-mindedness among white Southerners has almost always been underestimated by our leadership. So too have been the good sense and good manners of Negroes seeking equal rights. The successful experience of these 27 Southern cities has, once more, given proof of these hopeful factors. Wise leadership will not ignore it.

NOTE: The Southern Regional Council is an organization of white and Negro Southerners formed in 1944 to advance "equal opportunity for all the South's people."